



## **SRPING 2023 WALKING SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM**

**Monday, May 1, 2023 to Friday, May 26, 2023**

Hi everyone! We are happy to invite your family to join the Walking School Bus program and we look forward to walking your child/children to school. A Walking School Bus (WSB) is a group of children who walk to school together under the supervision of adult leaders (e.g. a parent/grandparent or community member). The program promotes good health, a cleaner environment, reduced traffic around school, and a ready-to-learn attitude for the school day. Daycares are welcome to join us. We currently have two “bus stops,” or starting points for the walkers. Contact Joan Seidel at [jseidelpetralia@gmail.com](mailto:jseidelpetralia@gmail.com) if you are interested in forming a Walking School Bus route in your neighborhood or if you have questions about the program.

Current “Bus Stops”:

**Ashland Learning Center**—Intersection of Liberty Lane and Douglas Drive— Supervision begins at 7:20 AM; children start walking to school at 7:30. Kids can arrive any time between 7:20 AM and 7:30 AM.

**Ashland Public Library Parking Lot**-- Supervision begins at 7:20 AM; children start walking to school at 7:30. Kids can arrive any time between 7:20 AM and 7:30 AM.

Please register the first day your child walks. We need parent/guardian contact information for every child. Children can always join us along the route if we pass by your house. Kids can join Walking School Bus any time throughout the program. Come when the walk fits your schedule. This goes for kids and adult volunteers, we are a flexible group.

- Always look for adult volunteers with yellow Walking School Bus back packs before leaving your child at the “bus stop.”
- Your WSB Team will operate every morning (weather permitting). Rain and/or lightning will cancel the walk. Threats of severe weather cancel the walk.
- If you are late, but can see us walking, your child can join us. We don’t walk at lightning speed.
- Send a water bottle with your child if it is hot outside.
- Photographs of the children may be used in promotional materials
- Parents/grandparents are always welcome to join us. Adults have as much fun as the kids!
- To be a WSB adult volunteer walker or for more information, please contact Joan Seidel at [jseidelpetralia@gmail.com](mailto:jseidelpetralia@gmail.com).