

MEETING MINUTES

The Santa Rosa City Schools Board Meeting of August 13, 2025, starting at 6:00 pm at Lewis Early Learning Academy (2230 Lomitas Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404) is in a hybrid format. The public can attend and **comment in person by presenting a blue card to the Santa Rosa City Schools Administrative Staff at the time of the meeting**, or view/listen to the meeting in a virtual format via Zoom. **No public comments will be taken via the virtual format.** For more information on viewing/listening to the meeting virtually via Zoom or by phone, please click [HERE](#).

La reunión de la mesa directiva del distrito escolar Santa Rosa City Schools del 13 de agosto de 2025, a partir de las 6:00 p. m., en las Lewis Early Learning Academy (2230 Lomitas Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404)), estará en un formato híbrido. **El público puede asistir y hacer comentarios en persona presentando una tarjeta azul al Personal Administrativo de las Escuelas de la Ciudad de Santa Rosa en el momento de la reunión**, o ver/escuchar la reunión en un formato virtual a través de Zoom. **No se aceptarán comentarios públicos a través del formato virtual.** Para obtener más información sobre cómo ver/escuchar la reunión virtualmente a través de Zoom o por teléfono, haga clic [AQUÍ](#).

Individual speakers shall be allowed **one to three minutes** to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item. The Board may limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the presiding officer may increase or decrease the time allowed for public presentation, depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard. The presiding officer may take a poll of speakers for or against a particular issue and may ask that additional persons speak only if they have something new to add (BP 9323).

Cada orador tendrá de **uno a tres minutos** para dirigirse a la mesa directiva sobre cada tema incluido o no en la agenda. La mesa directiva puede limitar el tiempo total para la participación del público sobre cada tema a 20 minutos. Con el consentimiento de la mesa directiva, la presidenta puede aumentar o disminuir el tiempo permitido para comentarios del público, dependiendo del tema y del número de personas que deseen comentar. La presidenta puede realizar una encuesta entre los oradores a favor o en contra de un tema en particular y puede solicitar que otras personas hablen sólo si tienen algo nuevo que agregar (BP 9323).

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MISSION: SRCS ensures equitable access to a transformative educational experience grounded in the assets of our students, staff, and community. We nurture the whole student in an engaging, challenging, and safe environment. We recognize and value each student's individuality and our community's cultural wealth.

VISION: SRCS will send students into the world empowered to find purpose, think critically, embrace diversity, work together, and adapt to our changing planet, and live healthy and fulfilling lives.

Attendance

Voting Members

Sarah Jenkins, Board of Education Trustee

Donna Prak, Board of Education Trustee

Omar Medina, Board of Education Trustee

Roxanne McNally, Board of Education President

Nick Caston, Board of Education Vice President

Jeremy De La Torre, Board of Education Clerk

Mark Kirby, Board of Education Trustee

A. CALL TO ORDER (4:00 p.m.)

President McNally called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

All Board members were present for the Closed Session meeting.

Trustee Prak was sworn in as a Board Member during item G.1. Therefore, she was not present for the Closed Session meeting.

1. Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda

There was no public comment on the Closed Session agenda.

B. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

President McNally stated that the following items would be discussed during the Closed Session:

- Student Readmissions (Case No.: 2023/24-15)
- Public Employee Appointment/Employment (Position to be filled: Public Information Officer, Director, Coordinator, Principal)
- Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

- Conference With Labor Negotiator (Name of designated rep attending: Dr. Vicki Zands (SRCS); name of organization: Teamsters Union 665)
- Conference With Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Case No.24CV-00520, 23CV-00397, SCV-272273, Claim 2025-069, OAH 2025050933)
- Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Title of employee being reviewed: Superintendent, Associate Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Principals, Vice Principals, Assistant Principals, Directors, Coordinators)

The meeting recessed to the Closed session at 4:03 pm.

- 1. Student Readmissions (Case No.: 2023/24-15) [Ed. Code § 48916]**
- 2. Public Employee Appointment/Employment (Position to be filled: Public Information Officer, Director, Coordinator, Principal) [Gov. Code § 54957]**
- 3. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release [Gov. Code § 54957]**
- 4. Conference With Labor Negotiator (Name of designated rep attending: Dr. Vicki Zands (SRCS); name of organization: Teamsters Union 665) [Gov. Code § 54957.6]**
- 5. Conference With Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Case No.24CV-00520, 23CV-00397, SCV-272273, Claim 2025-069, OAH 2025050933) [Gov. Code § 54956.9]**
- 6. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Title of employee being reviewed: Superintendent, Associate Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Principals, Vice Principals, Assistant Principals, Directors, Coordinators) [Gov. Code § 54957]**
- 7. Closed and Open Session Notes**

C. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION (6:00 p.m.)

President McNally reconvened the meeting to the Open Session at 6:11 pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

President McNally led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Territorial Land Acknowledgment

Patrick Gannon, Public Information Officer, led the Territorial Land Acknowledgment.

3. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

The following report of action was taken in the Closed Session:

- The Board voted unanimously to approve the student readmission case 2023/24-15.

4. Items Considered In Closed Session for Action In Open Session

There were no items considered in the Closed Session for action in the Open Session.

5. Statements of Abstention

Trustee Medina made the following statement of abstention due to a conflict of interest:

- Item F.12, Approval of Fox Pacific Academy Contract

6. Adjustments to Agenda

Trustee Jenkins made the following adjustments to the agenda to pull items F.6, F.10, F.11, F.16, and F.17 for further questions and discussion.

- Item F.6, Approval of Contracts - Bond
- Item F.10, Approval of the CNS School Nutrition Program Micro-Purchase Self-Certification
- Item F.11, Approval of Contracting with ValidateMe! for Foreign Transcript Evaluation Services
- Item F.16, Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-02 to Establish Temporary Inter-fund Transfers
- Item F.17, Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-03 Requesting Fund Transfer Under Article XVI, Section 6 of the State Constitution To Borrow Funds From The Sonoma County Treasury As Needed During The 2025-26 Fiscal Year

7. Student Board Members Loyalty Oath of Office

President McNally administered the Student Board Members Loyalty Oath of Office:

- Student Board Member Natalia Oliverez Gomez, Ridgway High School
- Student Board Member Jonathan Carrillo Poot, Elsie Allen High School

D. REPORTS

1. California School Employee Association (CSEA) Santa Rosa 75 Report

CSEA President Mary Lehman gave a report.

2. Santa Rosa Teachers Association (SRTA) Report

SRTA Kathryn Howell gave a report.

3. Superintendent Report

Interim Superintendent August gave a report.

4. Board President Report

There was no Board President report.

5. Board Member Reports

The following Board members gave a report:

- Trustee De La Torre
- Trustee Jenkins
- Trustee Kirby
- Trustee Medina
- Trustee Caston

6. Student Board Member Report

There was no Student Board Member report.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS

There was no public comment on non-agenda and consent items.

F. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion Passed: Consent Items F.1 - F.5, F.7-F.9, F.13-F.15

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Omar Medina

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

1. Approval of Absent Board Members

2. Approval of Personnel Transactions

3. Approval of Vendor Warrants

4. Approval of Donations and Gifts

5. Approval of Contracts

6. Approval of Contracts - Bond

Trustee Jenkins pulled item F.6, Approval of Contracts - Bond, for further discussion regarding the contract with QKA for the Facility Master Plan Update. Executive Director Erik Oden was present to answer questions.

Motion Passed: Approval of Contracts - Bond

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Omar Medina

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

- 7. Adoption of Resolution No. 2025/26-04 Supporting Award and Approval of Lease-Leaseback Agreement with Lathrop Construction Associates, Inc. for the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Modernization Project.**
- 8. Approval of Proposal with Belkorp AG for the purchase of New Mowers**
- 9. Approval of Proposal from Belkorp AG for a Maintenance Tractor**
- 10. Approval of the CNS School Nutrition Program Micro-Purchase Self-Certification**

Trustee Jenkins pulled item F.10, Approval of the CNS School Nutrition Program Micro-Purchase Self-Certification, for further discussion and questions. Director of CNS, Ed Burke, was present to answer the Board members' questions.

Motion Passed: Approval of the CNS School Nutrition Program Micro-Purchase Self-Certification

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Omar Medina

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

- 11. Approval of Contracting with ValidateMe! for Foreign Transcript Evaluation Services**

Trustee Jenkins pulled item F.11, Approval of Contracting with ValidateMe! for Foreign Transcript Evaluation Services, for further questions and discussion. Assistant Superintendent Dr. Castro was present to answer the Board members' questions.

The following individual addressed the Board during public comment:

- Kathryn Howell

Motion Passed: Approval of Contracting with ValidateMe! for Foreign Transcript Evaluation Services

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Sarah Jenkins

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

12. Approval of Fox Pacific Academy Contract

Item F.12, Approval of Fox Academy Contract, was pulled due to Trustee Medina abstaining from this item due to a conflict of interest.

Motion Passed: Approval of Fox Academy Contract

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Nick Caston

Motion seconded by: Jeremy De La Torre

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Abstain

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

13. Approval of Update to the Construction/Program Management Firms Pool for Measures C & G Bond Program Projects

14. Approval of Resolution of District for Capacity of Interdistrict Transfers for Various Grades, Special Classrooms, and Special Programs.

15. Approval of School District Nomination to the Sonoma County School Attendance Review Board (SARB)

16. Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-02 to Establish Temporary Inter-fund Transfers

Trustee Jenkins pulled item F.16, Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-02 to Establish Temporary Inter-fund Transfers, for further questions and discussion. Executive Director Joel Dontos was present to answer the Board members' questions.

Motion Passed: Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-02 to Establish Temporary Inter-fund Transfers

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Sarah Jenkins

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

17. Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-03 Requesting Fund Transfer Under Article XVI, Section 6 of the State Constitution To Borrow Funds From The Sonoma County Treasury As Needed During The 2025-26 Fiscal Year

Trustee Jenkins pulled item F.17, Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-03 Requesting Fund Transfer Under Article XVI, Section 6 of the State Constitution To Borrow Funds From The Sonoma County Treasury As Needed During The 2025-26 Fiscal Year, for further questions and discussion. Executive Director Joel Dontos was present to answer the Board members' questions.

Motion Passed: Approval of Resolution No. 2025/26-03 Requesting Fund Transfer Under Article XVI, Section 6 of the State Constitution To Borrow Funds From The Sonoma County Treasury As Needed During The 2025-26 Fiscal Year

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Sarah Jenkins

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

G. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. (Action) Trustee Area 6 Candidate Interview to Select a Board Member Due to Vacancy

President McNally led the Trustee Area 6 Candidate Interview to Select a Board Member due to Vacancy. Four questions were administered to Donna Prak, candidate for open trustee area 6.

The interview lasted 12 minutes.

The Board's questions and comments lasted 7 minutes.

Motion Passed: Approval of Candidate, Donna Prak, to be appointed to Trustee Area 6

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Nick Caston

Motion seconded by: Sarah Jenkins

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Not Present

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

2. (Discussion) Safe Routes to Schools Program Update

The following individuals presented the Safe Routes to Schools Program Update to the Board:

- Christina Panza, Director of Safe Routes to Schools
- Stacy Desideri, Executive Director, Wellness & Engagement

The presentation lasted 24 minutes.

The Board's question and comments lasted 39 minutes.

The PowerPoint presentation is attached to the meeting minutes and supporting documents.

3. (Action) Approval of 2025-26 45 Day Budget Update

The following individuals presented the Approval of the 2025-26 45-Day Budget Update to the Board.

- Luz Cázares, Interim, CBO
- Joel Dontos, Executive Director of Fiscal Services

The presentation lasted 6 minutes.

The following individual addressed the Board during public comment:

- Margie BradyLong

Motion Passed: Approval of the 2025-26 45-Day Budget Update

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Omar Medina

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Yes

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Yes

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

4. (Action) Approval of Provisional Internship Permit Application (PIP) Kawainohiaakala Navares

Dr. Vicki Zands, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the Approval of Provisional Internship Permit Application (PIP) Kawainohiaakala Navares to the Board.

The presentation lasted 2 minutes.

Motion Passed: Approval of Provisional Internship Permit Application (PIP) Kawainohiaakala Navares

Student Board Member Gomez preferential vote: Aye

Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Omar Medina

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes
Donna Prak - Yes
Omar Medina - Yes
Roxanne McNally - Yes
Nick Caston - Yes
Jeremy De La Torre - Yes
Mark Kirby - Yes

5. (Action) Approval of Variable Term Waiver for a Pupil Personnel Services Credential for Carlos A Castaneda Avila

Dr. Vicki Zands, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the Approval of Variable Term Waiver for a Pupil Personnel Services Credential for Carlos A Castaneda Avila to the Board.

The presentation lasted 3 minutes.

Motion Passed: Approval of Variable Term Waiver for a Pupil Personnel Services Credential for Carlos A Castaneda Avila
Student Board Member Poot preferential vote: Aye

Motion made by: Sarah Jenkins

Motion seconded by: Nick Caston

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes
Donna Prak - Yes
Omar Medina - Yes
Roxanne McNally - Yes
Nick Caston - Yes
Jeremy De La Torre - Yes
Mark Kirby - Yes

6. (Discussion / Action) First Read and Possible Waive of Second Read of BP 6163.4, BP 5116.1, BP 5117, BP 5131.8, BP 4040

The following individuals presented the First Read and Possible Waive of Second Read of BP 6163.4, BP 5116.1, BP 5117, BP 5131.8, and BP 4040 to the Board:

- Dr. Roderick Castro, Assistant Superintendent of Ed Services
- Stacy Desideri, Executive Director of Wellness and Engagement
- Adrian Bica, Executive Director of Information Technology

The SRCS Staff presented the updates to the following Board Policies, which lasted 1 hour.

- BP 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology
- BP 5116.1 - Interdistrict Open Enrollment
- BP 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance

- BP 5131.8 - Mobile Communication Devices
- BP 4040 - Employee Use of Technology

The Board discussed and voted on each policy individually. The Board's discussion and comments lasted 45 minutes.

****President McNally left the meeting at 8:56 pm. Vice President Caston assumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting.***

Most discussions occurred during the First Read of BP 5131.7, Mobile Communication Devices. The Board would like to revisit this BP and have a broader discussion at a later meeting.

Motion Passed: First Read and Waive of Second Read of BP 6163.4 and BP 4040

- Motion made by: De La Torre
- Motion seconded by: Mark Kirby
- Voting:
- Sarah Jenkins - Yes
- Omar Medina - Yes
- Donna Prak - Yes
- Roxanne McNally - Not Present
- Nick Caston - Yes
- Jeremy De La Torre - Yes
- Mark Kirby - Yes

Motion Passed: First Read and Waive of Second Read of BP 5117

- Motion made by: Medina
- Motion seconded by: Jenkins
- Voting:
- Sarah Jenkins - Yes
- Omar Medina - Yes
- Donna Prak - Yes
- Roxanne McNally - Not Present
- Nick Caston - Yes
- Jeremy De La Torre - Yes
- Mark Kirby - Yes

Motion Passed: First Read and Waive of Second Read of BP 5116.1

- Motion made by: Kirby
- Motion seconded by: De La Torre
- Voting:
- Sarah Jenkins - Yes
- Omar Medina - Yes

- Donna Prak - Yes
- Roxanne McNally - Not Present
- Nick Caston - Yes
- Jeremy De La Torre - Yes
- Mark Kirby - Yes

Motion Failed: First Read and Possible Waive of Second Read 5131.8

7. (Action) Approval of California School Employees Association, Chapter 75 24-25 #12 MOU 100 Hours Additional Work Jr/Sr High School Sites

Dr. Vicki Zands, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the Approval of California School Employees Association, Chapter 75 24-25 #12 MOU 100 Hours Additional Work Jr/Sr High School Sites to the Board.

The presentation lasted 1 minute.

Motion Passed: Approval of California School Employees Association, Chapter 75 24-25 #12 MOU 100 Hours Additional Work Jr/Sr High School Sites

Motion made by: Jeremy De La Torre

Motion seconded by: Omar Medina

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Yes

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Not Present

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Held On June 25, 2025

Motion Passed: Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Held on June 25, 2025

Motion made by: Jeremy De La Torre

Motion seconded by: Omar Medina

Voting:

Sarah Jenkins - Yes

Donna Prak - Abstain

Omar Medina - Yes

Roxanne McNally - Not Present

Nick Caston - Yes

Jeremy De La Torre - Yes

Mark Kirby - Yes

I. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

J. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Future Board Discussion Items**
- 2. Educational Acronyms and Abbreviations**
- 3. Williams Settlement Quarterly Report**

K. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Clerk of Board

Date

SRCS 2025-26

45 Day Budget Update

August 13, 2025

Luz Cazares, Interim Associate Superintendent of Business Services/CBO

Joel Dontos, Executive Director Fiscal Services



Presentation Items

- Overview
- State Budget and the Economy
- Proposition 98
- Federal Education Funding
- Santa Rosa City Schools 45-Day Budget Updates
- Estimated update to our 2025-26 Adopted Budget General Fund 01 with the impacts of the 2025-26 45-Day Revision
- Summary
- Next Steps
- Questions

The Annual Budget Reporting Cycle



Overview

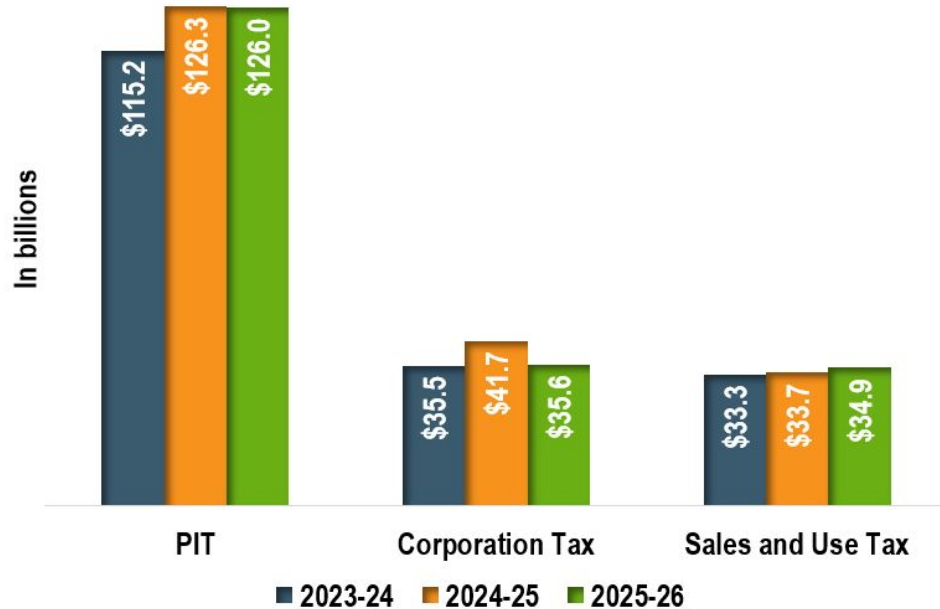
- The State Constitution requires the Governor to submit a budget proposal to the Legislature by January 10 of each year for the following fiscal year beginning July 1.
- By May 14, the Governor must announce an updated revenue forecast, accounting for revenue changes since January. The update is known as the "May Revise" or "May Revision."
- After its introduction, the Legislature has until June 15 to pass the budget.
- The Governor then has 12 working days to sign the budget bill into law after its passing by the Legislature.
- Education Code Section 42127(h) specifies that “Not later than 45 days after the Governor signs the annual Budget Act, the school district shall make available for public review any revisions in revenues and expenditures that it has made to reflect the funding made available by the “Budget Act.”

State Budget and the Economy

- The budget maintained the majority of the proposals that were included in the May Revision; however, some additional changes were incorporated. The final budget agreement solves an \$11.8 billion General Fund deficit and provides a balanced fiscal plan with reductions in growth in state spending while maintaining key programs.
- In order to address the state's budget challenges, there are a range of solutions including necessary actions to reduce ongoing expenditures, mandatory reserve drawdowns, new revenue proposals, internal borrowing, fund shifts, and deferrals.
- Risks to the State Budget include state structural deficits through 2028-29. Tariffs can reduce state revenue by over \$15 billion. Sensitive to federal fiscal and monetary policy changes, and cost shifts from Washington D.C. to states will pressurize the budget.

State Budget and the Economy

Big Three Taxes



- Personal Income Tax (PIT) is projected to remain relatively flat
- Los Angeles County taxpayers' filing deadline is extended to October, making 2025-26 PIT projections more challenging
- Corporation tax is projected to decline significantly from 2024-25 to 2025-26

Proposition 98

Key Features of the 2025-26 Education Budget

Proposition 98

Better-than-expected revenues from Wall Street's rebound and a required Maintenance Factor payment buoys 2024-25

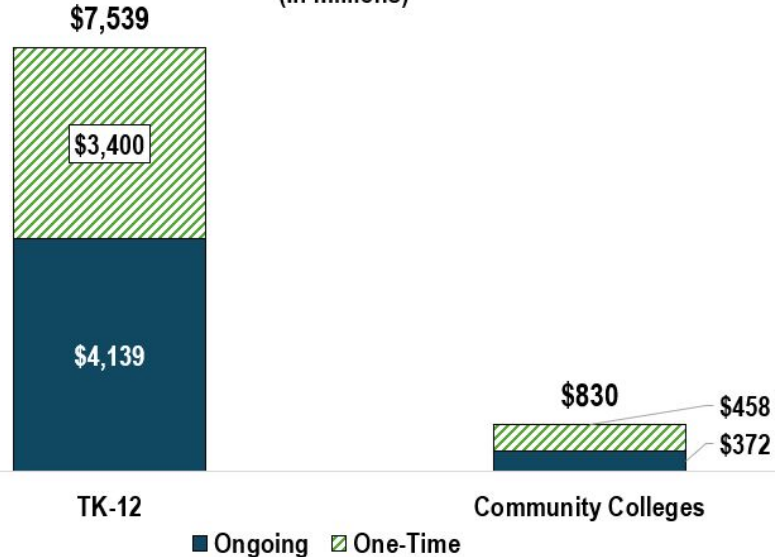
Test 1 mutes education funding in 2025-26, reducing revenue by \$5.4 billion below 2024-25 level

Enacted Budget relies on deferrals and reserves

Enacted Budget uses novel Settle Up

No cuts! Increased funding for programs!

Proposition 98 Major Spending
(In millions)



Federal Education Funding

- House Resolution (H.R.) 1, the “One Big Beautiful Bill Act”
- Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 & 2026 Budgets
- Trump Administration freezing and unfreezing of FY 2025 federal K-12 funds
- How H.R. 1 could impact TK-12 education in California

Santa Rosa City Schools 45-Day Budget Updates

Student Support and Professional Development Discretionary Block Grant

	2024-25 P2 - ADA	~\$315 per ADA	Estimated Proceeds
Santa Rosa City Schools	11,500	\$315	\$3,622,371
Santa Rosa Charter School for the Arts	353	\$315	\$111,182
Santa Rosa French-American Charter	498	\$315	\$156,851
Cesar Chavez Language Academy	725	\$315	\$228,504
Santa Rosa Accelerated Charter	124	\$315	\$38,934

Santa Rosa City Schools 45-Day Budget Updates

Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant (LREBG)

	2021-22 P2 - ADA	~\$114 per ADA	Estimated Proceeds
Santa Rosa City Schools	11,941	\$114	\$1,361,274
Santa Rosa Charter School for the Arts	361	\$114	\$41,154
Santa Rosa French-American Charter	371	\$114	\$42,294
Cesar Chavez Language Academy	841	\$114	\$95,874
Santa Rosa Accelerated Charter	121	\$114	\$13,794

Santa Rosa City Schools 45-Day Budget Updates

Universal Transitional Kindergarten additional investment

	2025-26 TK projected count	~\$2,397 per TK	Estimated Proceeds
Santa Rosa City Schools	169	\$2,397	\$405,093
Santa Rosa Charter School for the Arts	11	\$2,397	\$26,367
Santa Rosa French-American Charter	45	\$2,397	\$107,865
Cesar Chavez Language Academy	43	\$2,397	\$103,071

Santa Rosa City Schools 45-Day Budget Updates

Expanded Learning Opportunities Program

- Lowered the unduplicated pupil percentage (UPP) for Rate 1 eligibility to 55% from 75%. Rate 1 must offer and provide access to all students in grades TK-6. Rate 1 in 2024-25 is \$2,750 and continues to be \$2,750 in 2025-26.
- Rate 2 is for districts with a UPP under 55%. Rate 2 must offer and provide access to all unduplicated students in grades TK-6. Rate 2 is \$2,000 in 2024-25 and in 2025-26 it is still TBD but includes intent language that it is to be no less than \$1,575.
- Santa Rosa City Schools elementary district, ELOP is TK-6, is projected to be funded under rate 1.
- Starting in 2025-26, when LEAs transition from Rate 2 to Rate 1, for one year only, they will be audited for compliance based on their prior-year requirements.
- This is accounted for in our district Fund 12 and the total financial impact will be included in the 2025-26 First Interim Financial Report in December 2025.

Estimated update to our 2025-26 Adopted Budget General Fund 01 with the impacts of the 2025-26 45-Day Revision

Assuming the above-mentioned estimated increased proceeds of approximately \$5,388,738 from this 45-day revision are used to take on existing programs and prevent cuts in lieu of new programs, the result of this 45-day revision could be:

- The deficit in 2025-26 going from **-\$10,847,764** in the Adopted Budget to **-\$5,459,026**
- The Unrestricted Ending Balance going from **-\$11,031,466** in the Adopted Budget to **-\$5,642,728**
- The total amount we are below the required minimum 3% reserve for economic uncertainty going from **-\$17,596,219** in the Adopted Budget to **-\$12,207,481**.

Summary

The true financial outlook will evolve over the next few weeks with the following:

- Financial records for 2024-25 are finalized
- Actual student enrollments for 2025-26 are known after school has opened
- Staffing assignments are completed
- More information comes in on the Federal FY 2026 education funding.

The next financial report, the 2025-26 First Interim, will be presented to the board in December 2025 with complete updated financial projections through October 31, 2025, including all the items included in this 2025-26 45-Day Budget Update.

Next Steps

September 2025

- 2024-25 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report
- Fiscal Stabilization Advisory Committee (FSAC)

October 2025

- CALPADS 2025-26 Student Data Census Day
- Update Enrollment Projections
- FSAC

November 2025

- FSAC/Superintendent Recommendations submitted to the Board of Education

December 2025

- 2025-26 First Interim Financial Report

Board Member Questions



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE SANTA ROSA CITY SCHOOLS
TO ESTABLISH TEMPORARY INTERFUND
TRANSFERS**

ON MOTION of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, the following resolution is hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, the governing board of any school district may direct that moneys held in any fund or account may be temporarily transferred to another fund or account of the district for payment of obligations as authorized by Education Code Section 42603; and

WHEREAS, the transfer shall be accounted for as temporary borrowing between funds or accounts and shall not be available for appropriation or be considered income to the borrowing fund or account; and

WHEREAS, amounts transferred shall be repaid either in the same fiscal year or in the following fiscal year if the transfer takes place within the final 120 calendar days of a fiscal year;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Santa Rosa City Schools, in accordance with the provisions of Education Code section 42603 adopts the following authorization for fiscal year 2025-26 to temporarily transfer funds between any and all funds provided that all transfers are approved by the Superintendent or their designee:

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 13h day of August 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: 6 **NOES:** 0 **ABSENT:** _____
ATTEST:

I, Jeremy De La Torre, Clerk of the Governing Board, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by the Board at a regularly called and conducted meeting held on said date.

Jeremy De La Torre, Clerk of the Board

8-13-25
Date

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF CITY OF SANTA ROSA ELEMENTARY & HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING FUND TRANSFER UNDER ARTICLE XVI, SECTION 6 OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION

RESOLVED by the Governing Board of the City of Santa Rosa Elementary & High School Districts, a District of the County of Sonoma, State of California, that:

WHEREAS, this District does not have sufficient funds on hand to provide for the operation of the District during the 2025/26 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, Article XVI, Section 6 of the State Constitution authorizes a temporary transfer of funds in the custody of the County Treasurer upon approval of the Board of Supervisors, and

WHEREAS, the revenues to said District for the current fiscal year, 2025/26, are budgeted at \$228,400,863;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS DETERMINED AND ORDERED as follows:

1. That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma be and it is hereby requested to authorize a temporary transfer to this District on an as-needed basis of not to exceed \$105,927,610 during the 2025/26 fiscal year; said sum will not exceed 85% of the revenues to said District during said fiscal year.
2. For the convenience of the County Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector, a schedule of monthly anticipated cash flow is attached hereto.
3. That the Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector of the County of Sonoma be requested to recommend that the transfer is acknowledged.
4. That certified copies of this resolution be forwarded by the Clerk of this Board to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma and the Sonoma County Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Governing Board of Santa Rosa City Schools on August 13, 2025, by the following vote:


AYES: 6

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution of the Governing Board of the Santa Rosa City Schools of Sonoma County, California, adopted by said Governing Board at its meeting on August 13, 2025.



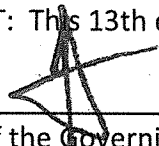
Jeremy De La Torre
Clerk of the Board

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, Jeremy De La Torre, Clerk of the Governing Board of the City of Santa Rosa Elementary & High School District of the County of Sonoma, State of California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a special/regular meeting of the Governing Board of said District, regularly held at the regular meeting place thereof, on August 13, 2025, of which meeting all the members of said Governing Board had due notice.

I further certify that said resolution has not been amended, modified, or rescinded since the date of its adoption and the same is now in full force and effect.

ATTEST: This 13th day of August 2025.



Clerk of the Governing Board of the
City of Santa Rosa Elementary & High School District
County of Sonoma, State of California

COUNTY TREASURER'S AUTHORIZATION
(Per County of Sonoma Resolution 91-0271)

The attached request for borrowing is in compliance with the requirements of Article XVI, Section 6, of the State Constitution and with Resolution 91-0271 of the County of Sonoma.

Approved By:

Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector
County of Sonoma

Date: _____

Amount to be collected on Property Tax Bill 124,620,718
Amount requested 105,927,610
Percent of Property Tax Bill Requested 85%
(Not to exceed 85% of outstanding property taxes).
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CITY OF SANTA ROSA ELEMENTARY & HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
 211 RIDGWAY AVE
 SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA 95401

DATE: August 13, 2025

GENERAL FUND
 ANTICIPATED MONTHLY ENDING BALANCES

From July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026

	<u>Cash</u> <u>Income*</u>	<u>Cash</u> <u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Cash</u> <u>Balance**</u>
Beginning Cash Balance:			\$ 11,672,795
July	\$ 5,111,879	\$ 4,329,393	\$ 12,817,452
August	\$ (4,120,380)	\$ 18,380,124	\$ (22,866,999)
September	\$ 10,178,774	\$ 19,576,308	\$ (28,899,110)
October	\$ 9,949,756	\$ 20,444,286	\$ (39,236,949)
November	\$ 9,863,500	\$ 20,367,429	\$ (49,740,878)
December	\$ 71,557,147	\$ 19,299,673	\$ 2,516,595
January	\$ 10,802,084	\$ 21,026,595	\$ (3,558,941)
February	\$ 7,826,840	\$ 19,446,123	\$ (15,178,224)
March	\$ 5,328,143	\$ 21,166,188	\$ (31,016,269)
April	\$ 70,780,273	\$ 19,168,427	\$ 20,595,577
May	\$ 7,234,666	\$ 19,757,149	\$ 8,073,094
June	\$ 7,048,585	\$ 16,272,639	\$ 849,313
Totals:	\$ 211,561,267	\$ 219,234,334	

NOTE: Copies of the Cash Flow Statement are to be attached to each Resolution.

* Cash income includes secured and unsecured taxes to be raised in the current year budget, plus estimated revenues (other than current property taxes).

** Cash Balances include estimated balance sheet items.

Cashflow Report
SRCS 2025-26 Budget
Base Year 2025-26

Object Range	Budget/Beg. Balance	2026 March	April	May	June	Accruals	Adjustments	TOTAL	Variance
A. BEGINNING CASH	11,672,795	(15,178,224)	(31,016,269)	20,595,577	8,073,094	—	—	—	—
B. RECEIPTS									
LCFF Sources									
Principal Appointment	8010-8019	58,943,092	5,455,177	5,258,255	301,822	724,341	—	58,943,092	—
Property Taxes	8020-8079	124,620,718	62,310,359	—	—	—	—	124,620,718	—
Miscellaneous Funds & LCFF Transfers	8080-8099	(10,315,583)	(1,119,225)	(1,202,778)	383,052	—	—	(10,315,583)	—
Federal Revenue	8100-8299	8,749,627	223,921	388,580	2,784,840	4,346,789	—	8,749,627	—
Other State Revenue	8300-8599	24,932,994	1,845,635	1,462,672	1,283,418	313,383	9,040,551	24,932,994	—
Other Local Revenue	8600-8799	21,470,015	2,064,406	1,327,936	1,209,989	3,500,000	—	21,470,015	—
Interfund Transfers in	8910-8929	1,085,739	—	—	1,085,739	—	—	1,085,739	—
All Other Financing Sources	8930-8999	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL RECEIPTS	229,486,602	5,328,143	70,780,273	7,234,666	7,048,858	8,884,513	9,040,551	229,486,602	—
. DISBURSEMENTS									
Certificated Salaries	1000-1999	92,028,911	8,107,747	8,540,283	9,175,282	—	—	92,028,911	—
Classified Salaries	2000-2999	30,618,833	2,669,962	2,703,643	2,406,640	—	—	30,618,833	—
Employee Benefits	3000-3999	52,718,039	4,100,000	4,100,000	1,958,393	—	9,040,551	52,718,039	—
Books and Supplies	4000-4999	5,553,924	387,285	470,316	270,500	948,817	—	5,553,924	—
Services	5000-5999	58,850,009	5,270,707	3,860,709	3,989,270	10,024,926	—	58,850,009	—
Capital Outlay	6000-6999	220,701	4,723	27,146	13,573	40,962	—	220,701	—
Other Outgo	7000-7499	(741,790)	30,191	(59,937)	(835,923)	—	—	(741,790)	—
Interfund Transfers Out	7600-7629	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All Other Financing Uses	7630-7699	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	239,248,627	21,166,188	19,168,427	19,757,149	16,272,639	10,973,743	9,040,551	239,248,627	—
E. NET INCREASE/DECREASE (B - C + D)	(9,762,025)	(15,838,045)	51,611,846	(12,522,483)	(7,223,781)	(2,089,231)	—	(12,912,713)	—
F. ENDING CASH (A + E)		(31,016,269)	20,595,577	8,073,094	849,313	—	—	—	—
G. ENDING CASH, PLUS CASH ACCRUALS AND ADJUSTMENTS								(1,239,918)	—

Cashflow Report
SRCS 2025-26 Budget
Base Year 2025-26

Object Range	Budget/Beg. Balance	2025												
		July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	
D. BALANCE SHEET ITEMS														
Assets and Deferred Outflows														
9111-9199	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9200-9299	0	362,171	--	4,335,160	156,691	--	--	--	--	--	4,148,975	--	--	--
9310	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9320	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9330	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9340	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9490	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SUBTOTAL	0	362,171	--	4,335,160	156,691	--	--	--	--	--	4,148,975	--	--	--
Liabilities and Deferred Inflows														
9500-9599	0	--	13,183,947	969,738	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9610	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9640	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9650	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9690	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
SUBTOTAL	0	--	13,183,947	969,738	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nonoperating														
Suspense Clearing	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOTAL BALANCE SHEET ITEMS	0	362,171	(13,183,947)	3,365,422	156,691	--	--	--	--	--	4,148,975	--	--	--
E. NET INCREASE/DECREASE (B - C + D)														
		(9,762,025)	1,144,657	(35,684,451)	(6,032,111)	(10,337,838)	(10,503,930)	52,257,474	(6,075,536)	(11,619,283)				
F. ENDING CASH (A + E)														
		12,817,452	(22,866,999)	(28,899,110)	(39,236,949)	(49,740,878)	2,516,595	(3,558,941)	(15,178,224)					
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Cashflow Report
SRCS 2025-26 Budget
Base Year 2025-26

	Object Range	Budget/Beg. Balance	2026 March	April	May	June	Accruals	Adjustments	TOTAL	Variance
D. BALANCE SHEET ITEMS										
Assets and Deferred Outflows										
	9111-9199	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9200-9299	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	9,002,997	—
	9310	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9320	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9330	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9340	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9490	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	SUBTOTAL	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	9,002,997	—
Liabilities and Deferred Inflows										
	9500-9599	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	14,153,685	—
	9610	0	—	—	—	(2,000,000)	—	—	(2,000,000)	—
	9640	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9650	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	9690	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	SUBTOTAL	0	—	—	—	(2,000,000)	—	—	12,153,685	—
Nonoperating										
	Suspense Clearing	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TOTAL BALANCE SHEET ITEMS	0	—	—	—	2,000,000	—	—	(3,150,688)	—
E. NET INCREASE/DECREASE (B - C + D)										
		(9,762,025)	(15,838,045)	51,611,846	(12,522,483)	(7,223,781)	(2,089,231)	—	(12,912,713)	—
F. ENDING CASH (A + E)										
			(31,016,269)	20,595,577	8,073,094	849,313	—	—	(1,239,918)	—
G. ENDING CASH, PLUS CASH ACCRUALS AND ADJUSTMENTS										



**Safe Routes to Schools
Update
Santa Rosa City School Board
August 2025**



Safe Routes to School Goals

- ✓ More students/families walk, bike, scoot, skate, bus or carpool for transportation
- ✓ Kids/Families know how to be safe while doing so
- ✓ Barriers to active transportation identified and engineering improvements made
- ✓ Community is more connected and aware of the benefits of SRTS to health and environment

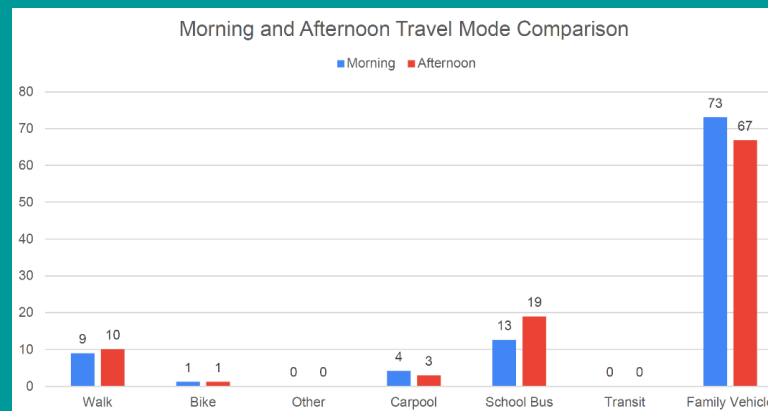
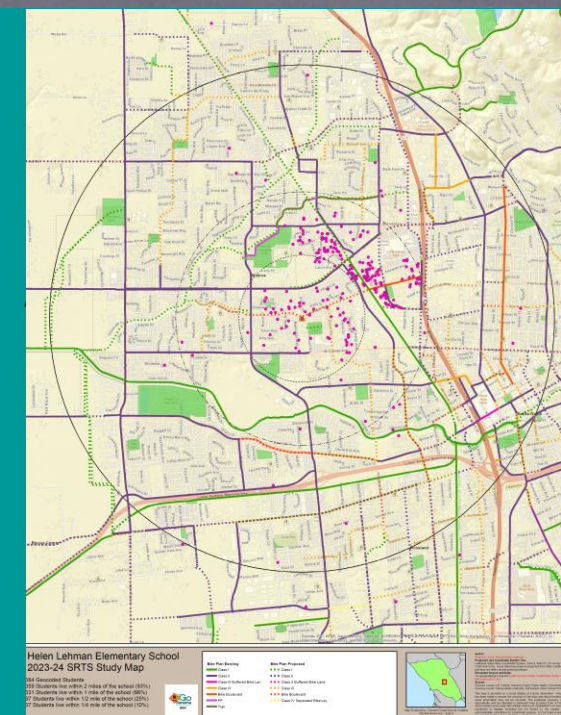


Comprehensive Safe Routes to School Services

Funder: Sonoma County Transportation Authority

Partners: Schools, Districts, local jurisdictions

- ✓ Education
- ✓ Active & Alternative Transportation Encouragement
- ✓ Engineering
- ✓ Evaluation – tallies, GIS mapping



Safe Routes to Participating Schools (SR City School District)

10 enrolled for 24-25
8 enrolled for 25-26



Participating Sites 2024-25 & 25-26		Potential Participant
Cesar Chavez Language Academy	Santa Rosa French American Charter	Rincon Valley Middle
Comstock Middle School	Luther Burbank	Santa Rosa Middle/High School
Helen Lehman		Montgomery Middle/High School
Hidden Valley		Piner Middle/High School
James Monroe		Elsie Allen Middle/High School
Lincoln		
Proctor Terrace		
Santa Rosa Charter School for the Arts		

Safe Routes to School Education



- ✓ 50+ schools
(26 in Santa Rosa, 10 in SR City Schools in 24-25)
- ✓ Classroom, bike/ped safety, on-bike; in schools & in community



Lead Instructors are *League of American Bicyclist Certified* – the gold standard of cycling education

Safe Routes to School Education Program



- ✓ 2nd or 3rd Grade Pedestrian Safety Lessons
- ✓ 4th Grade Bicycle Basics Lessons
- ✓ 4th Grade On-Bicycle Skill/Safety Rodeo
- ✓ 5th Grade Mapping and Communications Lessons
- ✓ Middle School “Drive Your Bike” Lessons (classroom and on-bike)
- ✓ Middle School after-school Bike Clubs
- ✓ Learn to Ride Workshops
- ✓ Family Bike Workshops
- ✓ Annual Kids “Bike Adventure” Camp
- ✓ Outreach/Ed at Community Events
- ✓ Presentations to Parents, School Staff, Community




FAMILY BICYCLING LESSONS
IN PERSON, ON-BIKE LESSONS

Learn to Ride a Bike — for Kids

Wednesdays in Santa Rosa

Winter/Spring 2025 Dates:
2/19, 3/19, 4/16, 5/14, 6/11

For rates & registration, visit
SantaRosaRec.com



4th Grade Bicycle Rodeos: Santa Rosa City Schools (24-25)

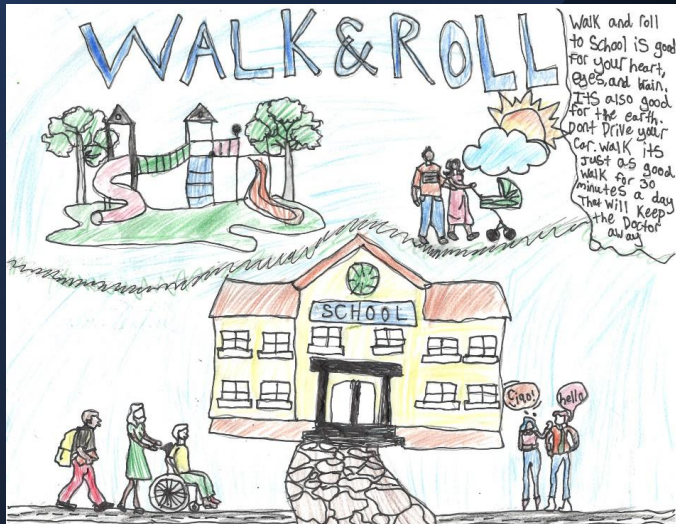
- Helen Lehman Elementary - 10/18/24
- Lincoln Elementary – 10/29/24
- Monroe Elementary – 11/5/24
- Hidden Elementary – 5/1/25
- Proctor Terrace Elementary – 5/9/25
- Cesar Chavez Elementary – 5/27/25



SRTS Education REACH

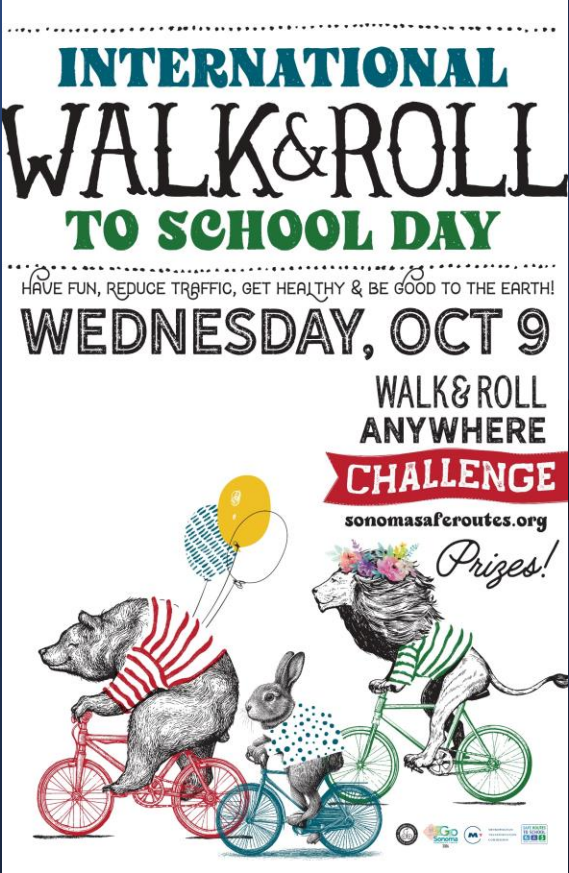
By Grade Level & Community

24-25 School Year



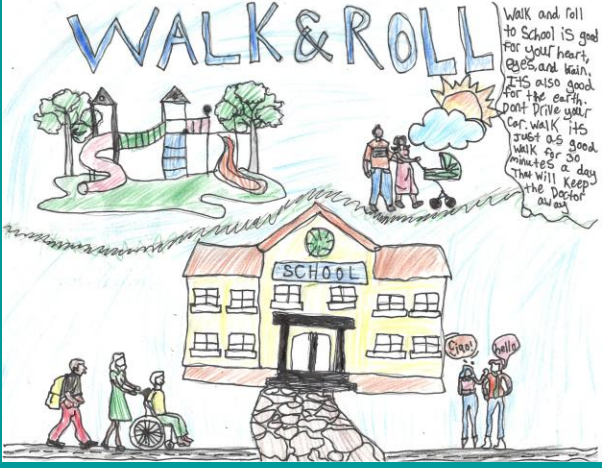
Grade	# students Aug-June Countywide	# students Aug-June Santa Rosa	# Students Aug-June Santa Rosa City Schools
2 nd _3 rd	2479	898	268
4 th	2515	1189	319
5 th	2048	868	204
Middle School (6-8th grade)	1472	1291	0
Community (LTR's FBW's, Camp)	401	174	<i>Not tracked by school</i>
Total	8915	4420	791

Safe Routes to School Encouragement Programming



✓ Walk/Roll Events & Challenges (25-26)

- ✓ Buddy Meet Up Challenge (Sept)
- ✓ International Walk & Roll to School Day (Oct) – Safety Challenge
- ✓ Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day (Nov) – Letter Writing Challenge
- ✓ Walk & Roll for our HeARTS: Annual Art Contest (Feb)
- ✓ Spring “Go Green” Challenge (March/April)
- ✓ Bike to School Day (May)



Safe Routes to School Encouragement Challenges

(examples from 24-25)

Designs for 25-26 Challenges coming soon!



WALK & ROLL BACK TO SCHOOL CHALLENGE

September CHALLENGE

MAP & MEETUP CHALLENGE

This September, we challenge you to map your safe route to school and meet up with others for fun, connection, and safety in numbers! Challenge participants will be entered into a drawing for a gift card to a local bakery, to fund treats for a future morning walk or roll outing for your family or group!

To participate, indicate what you accomplished this month and turn in your sheet to SRTS by Wednesday, October 2nd.

ROUTE TIPS

CONSIDER ROUTES THAT HAVE:

- Not many cars or lower traffic
- Low speed limits; cars driving slowly
- Bike lanes, sidewalks or paths
- Clearly marked crosswalks
- Other people walking and biking
- Bright lighting when/if it's dark

WE MAPPED OR PLANNED OUR ROUTE TO SCHOOL FROM HOME OR FROM ANOTHER LOCATION

WE WALKED OR RODE TO SCHOOL WITH ONE OR MORE OTHER FAMILIES THIS SEPTEMBER ON THE FOLLOWING DATE(S) (Each GROUP date is an entry into our drawings up to 4 entries)

DATE _____

DATE _____

DATE _____

MORE THAN 3 TIMES? LET US KNOW HOW MANY FOR A BONUS ENTRY!

MEET UP DETAILS (Ex: We met with two other families at Lucchetti park and biked to school together!)

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN OUR FAMILY OR WALK & ROLL GROUP _____

WE DIDN'T FORM OR JOIN A MEET-UP, BUT WE DID WALK, BIKE, SCOOT OR SKATE TO SCHOOL ON OUR OWN THIS SEPTEMBER! (One entry per family)

(Optional) EMAIL A PICTURE OF YOUR FAMILY/GROUP AT YOUR MEET UP OR ON YOUR ROUTE TO SCHOOL FOR A BONUS ENTRY - HOLD UP A SIGN SAYING "SHARE MEET UP CHALLENGE" IN YOUR PICTURE.

OK TO SHARE PICTURE NOT OK TO SHARE PICTURE



FULL NAME _____

SCHOOL _____

PARENT STUDENT SCHOOL STAFF

CONTACT INFO _____

(EVALUATION FORMS PROVIDED SEPARATELY FOR OUR BONUS)

Take a picture or scan of your completed form and email it to info@sonomasaferroutes.org or mail to SRTS, PO Box 2008, Santa Rosa, CA 95402. Entries must be received by Wed, Oct 2nd.

To participate, visit sonomasaferroutes.org

WACKY WALK & ROLL December CHALLENGE

SCAVENGER HUNT

Mark off all the items or places you found, saw or visited on your route to school or anywhere!

STUDENT NAME _____

SCHOOL _____

HOME ROOM TEACHER _____ GRADE _____

Submit completed Scavenger Hunt to info@sonomasaferroutes.org or mail to SRTS, PO Box 2008, Santa Rosa, CA 95402. For a complete list of items, visit sonomasaferroutes.org. Prizes will be awarded on a drawing for a wacky winter hat!

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY/INFRASTRUCTURE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> STRIPED CROSSWALK <input type="checkbox"/> SHARE THE ROAD SIGN <input type="checkbox"/> PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED CROSSING SIGNAL (WALK/DON'T WALK) <input type="checkbox"/> YELLOW SCHOOL ZONE SIGN <input type="checkbox"/> BUMPY YELLOW CURB/RAMP <input type="checkbox"/> BUS STOP <input type="checkbox"/> BIKE LANE <input type="checkbox"/> BIKE RACK <input type="checkbox"/> ANOTHER SAFETY ITEM YOU SAW _____ 	ART & CULTURE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> UNUSUAL GARDEN STATUE <input type="checkbox"/> BIRDHOUSE <input type="checkbox"/> COLORFUL MURAL OR MOSAIC <input type="checkbox"/> BIG SEASONAL DECORATION <input type="checkbox"/> WINDCHIME <input type="checkbox"/> LITTLE FREE LIBRARY <input type="checkbox"/> WACKIEST PIECE OF ART THAT YOU SAW ON YOUR ROUTE _____ 	NATURAL WONDERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> FRUIT OR VEGETABLE GROWING IN A FRONT YARD <input type="checkbox"/> ROCK OR OTHER NATURAL ITEM SHAPED LIKE AN ANIMAL <input type="checkbox"/> CREEK <input type="checkbox"/> MUSHROOM <input type="checkbox"/> CLOUD SHAPED LIKE AN ANIMAL OR OBJECT <input type="checkbox"/> SPIDER WEB <input type="checkbox"/> FLUFFY CAT (TYPE?) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> CURLY HAired DOG (TYPE?) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FUNNY LOOKING BUG (DESCRIBE?) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> COLORFUL BIRD (COLORS?) _____ 	COMMUNITY <p>Write in which one you saw or visited below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> TRAIL/MULTI-USE PATH <input type="checkbox"/> FIRE STATION <input type="checkbox"/> GROCERY STORE <input type="checkbox"/> ICE CREAM OR YOGURT SHOP <input type="checkbox"/> PARK OR PLAYING FIELD <input type="checkbox"/> Library <input type="checkbox"/> CAFÉ
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sonomasaferroutes.org SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

WALK & ROLL FOR OUR HEARTS! February CHALLENGE

ART CONTEST

WALK & ROLL FOR OUR HEARTS!

Draw a picture demonstrating why you LOVE Walking and/or Rolling. Your picture should illustrate how or why it is fun and/or healthy for our hearts, minds, and bodies.

WINNERS WILL WIN A \$25 GIFT CERTIFICATE TO A LOCAL ART SUPPLY STORE!

WINNING PICTURES WILL ALSO BE MADE INTO A 2025-26 'I LOVE WALK & ROLL' WALL CALENDAR!

SUBMIT ART BY MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025 (please read contest rules before submitting)

WALK & ROLL FOR OUR HEARTS CONTEST RULES

ELIGIBILITY All Sonoma County K-8 Students

THEME(S) Illustrate how or why walking and rolling is fun and/or healthy for the hearts, minds, and bodies of kids and/or families in Sonoma County

Optional: You may wish to choose a season for your illustration: Winter, Spring, Summer, or Fall

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Artwork must be 8.5x11, and must be landscape orientation
- All mediums welcome: drawing, painting, mixed media, digital illustration, etc. If a "kitty" raised mechanical/electronic, no more than 50% of collage material may be from newspapers, magazines, books, or other recycled pre-printed web text or designs (such as scrapbook paper)
- Submit a scanned copy in .JPG or .PDF format to saferroutes@sonomasaferroutes.org. OR mail to Safe Routes to School, Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition, PO Box 2008, Santa Rosa CA, 95402-2008
- Include your name, school, grade level, and homeroom teacher and a way to contact you (phone or email)
- All entries must be received by Monday, March 3, 2025

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Creativity and originality
- Clarity of art's message in communicating the theme
- Quality of effort put into illustration
- Representation of diversity and inclusivity

AWARDS

- \$25 Gift Card to local art supply store
- Selected winning pictures will be featured in 2025-26 'I Love Walk & Roll' Wall Calendar.
- Calendars will be printed and distributed to the winners, principals of winning schools, and to every teacher with a winning student in the challenge.
- If chosen as a winner, Safe Routes to School must be able to contact you, and may need to collect original artwork. Send any questions to saferroutes@sonomasaferroutes.org.

sonomasaferroutes.org SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

WALK & ROLL April GREEN TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGE

SONOMA COUNTY SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GREEN TRANSPORTATION EARTH MONTH

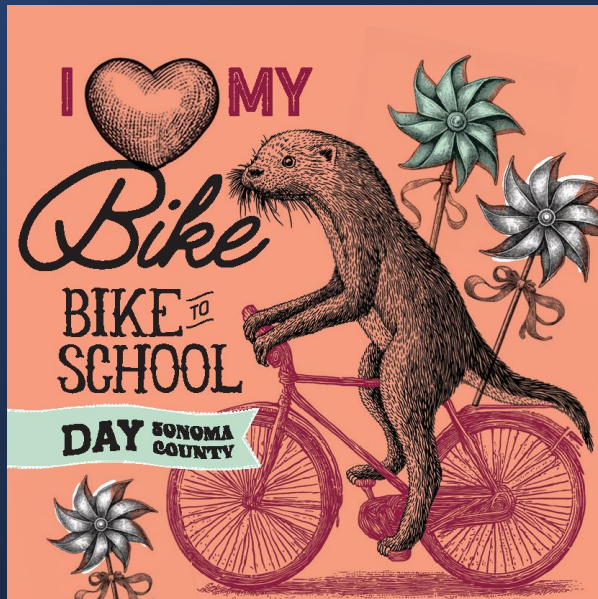
COMPLETE TWO OR MORE OF OUR GREEN TRANSPORTATION ACTIONS TO CELEBRATE EARTH MONTH, and tell us something about it! Submit by Monday, May 5th for entry into our drawing for a \$25 gift card to a local eatery of your choice. Green Transportation Actions can be done at any time during the month of April.

<p>BIKE to a DESTINATION instead of DRIVING</p> <p>A human traveling on a bike at 10-15mph is the most energy-efficient means of human transport available. It's also good exercise, saves money, and is good for the earth. Choose at least one destination to bike to, like school, a local park, a friend's, the store, or anywhere that you typically drive to.</p> <p>Where did you bike and how long did it take? _____</p> <p>Date biked (choose one even if you biked more often): _____</p> <p>One thing you noticed while biking to this destination: _____</p>	<p>CARPPOOL instead of DRIVING in a single family VEHICLE</p> <p>A carpool is when a parent drives their child, and at least one other child from another home, to a destination, such as when your parent picks up your friend on the way to school and you all drive to school together without your friends' parents. Let us know if you carpooled to school, to a sporting event, to a party, class, or anywhere this April, and tell us a bit about it.</p> <p>Where did you carpool? _____</p> <p>Date carpooled (choose one): _____</p> <p>One thing that you like about carpooling: _____</p>	<p>WALK to a DESTINATION instead of DRIVING</p> <p>Walking is free and doesn't require any special equipment or clothing! It's great for our health, can be social, and gets us outdoors. Choose at least one destination to walk to that you normally drive to. If you can't walk all the way from home, park a distance away at least a 10 minute walk from your destination, and walk part-way.</p> <p>Where did you walk and how long did it take? _____</p> <p>Date walked (choose one): _____</p> <p>One thing you noticed while walking: _____</p>	<p>PUBLIC transportation (BUS/TRAIN) or plan a ROUTE</p> <p>Public Transportation has many benefits: It is one of the safest ways to travel. It's less expensive than owning and operating a car, and it reduces air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. Choose at least one destination to take public transportation to OR plan a public transportation route to a destination of your choice if you are unable to take public transportation.</p> <p>Mode of public transportation and route planned (such as, which bus route?): _____</p> <p>How long did it (or should I) take you to get to your destination? _____</p> <p>Tell us one thing about your trip or planned trip: _____</p>
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sonomasaferroutes.org SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Bike to School Day

May 7, 2025



School	# Bikes/% increase		# Bikes/% increase
Austin Creek	20 / 150%	Roseland Elem	17 / 325%
Binkley	18 / 125%	SR Charter Arts	16 / 60%
Cesar Chavez Language	25 / 525%	SR French Charter	47 / 488%
Helen Lehman	5 / 25%	Sequoia	85 / 113%
Hidden Valley	15 / 400%	Sheppard	17 / 70%
JX Wilson	8 / 60%	Spring Lake Middle	23 / 91%
Lincoln	5 / 25%	Strawberry	27 / 80%
Madrone	25 / 67%	Village Elem	34 / 325%
Manzanita	36 / 350%	Mark West Elem	13 / 63%
Monroe	17 / 467%	Mark West Charter	12 / 71%
Proctor Terrace	23 / 283%	Summerfield Waldorf	10 / 100%
RL Stevens	7 / 40%	Whited	TBA

505 Students biked to school on Bike to School Day in Santa Rosa. On average, 153% more than on a normal school day! (countywide – 200%!)

Walking School Buses and Bike Trains and/or park & walk “meet-up spots”

- 15 Santa Rosa schools have active Walking School Buses or Bike Trains established (some with multiple routes)!
- An amazing way to build community and engage more families in walking and rolling.

Color-coded, kid-powered, carbon-light: Santa Rosa students roll out creative commute for Bike to School Day

Students at Santa Rosa’s French American Charter School led a colorful, student-organized bike train to campus ahead of Sonoma County’s Bike to School Day celebration.



Student Centered 6th Grade Project for Earth Month & Bike Month

Safe Routes to School Engineering

Partners:

City of Santa Rosa Public Works & Planning Department

Santa Rosa Police Department

Santa Rosa School Site Assessments (AKA “Walk Audits”)

- ✓ Sequoia Elem – 9/11/23
- ✓ Wright Charter – 11/8/23
- ✓ Austin Creek Elem – 12/4/23
- ✓ Lincoln Elem – 1/10/24
- ✓ Brook Hill Elem – 2/23/24
- ✓ JX Wilson Elem – 2/25/24
- ✓ Helen Lehman Elem – 3/11/24
- ✓ Kawana Springs Elem – 4/2/24
- ✓ Steele Lane Elem – 4/23/24
- ✓ Monroe Elem – 5/7/24
- ✓ Comstock Middle – 8/27/24
- ✓ Slater Middle – 9/18/24
- ✓ Taylor Mountain Elem – 10/16/24
- ✓ RL Stevens Elem – 11/19/24
- ✓ Montgomery HS – 12/10/24
- ✓ Burbank Elem – 1/21/25
- ✓ Cesar Chavez – 2/18/25
- ✓ Roseland Elem – 3/26/25
- ✓ Meadow View Elem – 5/13/25
- ✓ Sheppard Elem – 4/8/25

Will continue in 2025-26: Order of sites TBD, may shift from original list

Safe Routes to School Engineering Improvements (23-25)

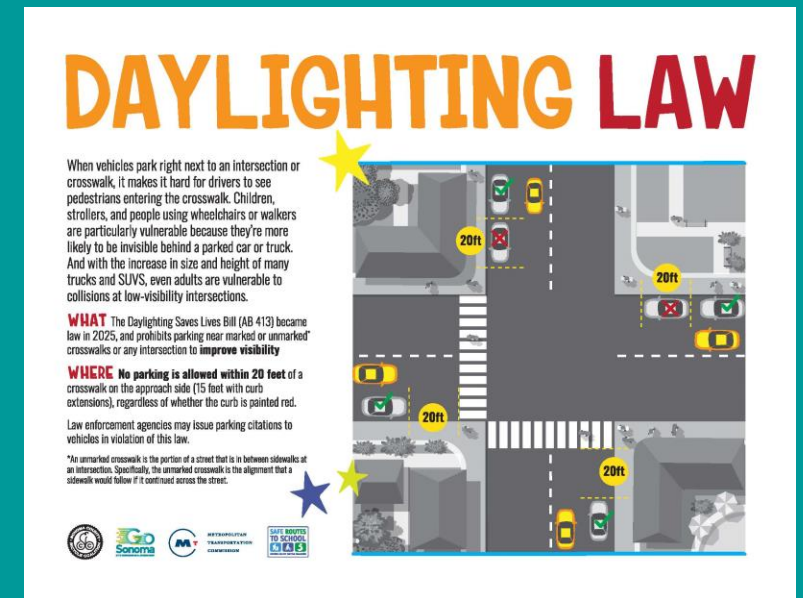
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- Red curb /daylighting 13
- Vegetation removal 2
- Crosswalk install 1
- Sign install/replacement 15
- Protected bike lane 2
- Radar feedback trailer 3
- RRFB install 1
- Install or refresh markings 9
- All way stop installed 1
- Concrete or asphalt repair 3
- Signal repair/ adjustment 5
- Speed reductions 4 (on main roadways in proximity to schools)

Estimate of \$100,000 in improvements (Steele Lane Pilot Study part of the estimate). This year the city plans to start working towards using \$251,210 in TDA grant funding for school infrastructure projects.



SRTS TASK FORCE

Does it feel safe for your kids to walk or bike to school? Tell us about it!

Santa Rosa Safe Routes to School Task Force

Rincon Valley Union School District

Thursday, April 25th, 2024

10:30am-12:00pm

Zoom: <https://rvusd.zoom.us/j/92346101062>

Everyone is invited to give feedback, share concerns, and learn about work underway



- ✓ Task Force Meeting(s) to bring together key SRTS Stakeholders: Reps from School District(s), site(s), SR City Public Works & Planning, Law Enforcement, Community Partners, and more.
- ✓ Regular meetings in 23-24 & 24-25
- ✓ Opportunity to share concerns, programs and projects and connect/collaborate with other stakeholders
- ✓ 25-26 Task Force TBD

E-Bicycle Education

E-BICYCLES WHAT PARENTS MUST KNOW



CONSIDERING an E-BIKE for YOUR CHILD/TEEN? THINK ABOUT THESE QUESTIONS/FACTORS WHEN PLANNING a PURCHASE.

- Does the device fit my child/teen's size and ability?
- Is your child/teen a skilled rider who knows and follows the traffic rules (see sidebar at right)?
- Can your child/teen stand up to peer pressure?
- Is your child/teen committed to wearing a helmet and ensuring their passenger does as well (17 and under are required to do so by law)?
- Buy local so they're guaranteed to be assembled properly and can be taken in for regular maintenance, especially for brakes.
- Check the label (must not exceed 750 watts/20mph).

PRACTICE FIRST: Ride with your child/teen to ensure they are following the rules of the road and can handle the bicycle in various road conditions. They should be riding confidently, responsibly and under control at all times, including switching between gears and speed settings.



TRAFFIC RULES

- ✓ Rides predictably WITH the flow of traffic
- ✓ Rides outside the door zone of parked vehicles (3 ft away)
- ✓ Stops at stop signs and takes turns with vehicles
- ✓ Uses hand signals for turning and scans before merging onto roads and changing lanes
- ✓ Obeys posted speedways on pathways and yields to pedestrians

PROS

- ✓ Allows riders to travel further and faster
- ✓ Allows steep hills to be easily climbed
- ✓ Heavy school books and/or sports equipment may be easier to transport
- ✓ May encourage more independent riding, less vehicles on the road benefits all

CONS

- ✓ Traveling at higher speeds (20mph is twice the speed of a normal pedal bike) makes it harder to control and stop
- ✓ Weigh more than normal bikes. Less maneuverable and difficult to transport/store
- ✓ Maintenance can be challenging & costs higher due to electrical components, battery (\$100-\$300/annually vs. \$0-\$100 for a normal pedal bike)
- ✓ Less cardiovascular benefit than regular bikes
- ✓ More expensive to purchase compared to pedal bikes
- ✓ Target for thieves
- ✓ Environmental considerations related to battery production and disposal

E-BICYCLES WHAT PARENTS MUST KNOW

CLASSES of E-BIKES

Class	Top Assisted Speed	Motor Control
Class 1	20 mph	Pedal only
Class 2	20 mph	Pedal & Throttle
Class 3	28 mph	Pedal only

BUYER BEWARE: Although Class 2 Bicycles have become readily available at a lower price point than Class 1 & Class 3 bikes, they can be easily hacked to speeds exceeding 20mph on throttle power alone, making them illegal to ride on public roads and pathways, and even more dangerous.

According to California Law, legal e-bikes must have:

- Working pedals
- Max of 750 watts
- Throttle that can never, ever be altered or switched to exceed a max speed of 20mph on motor power alone
- A label on the e-bike designating the class

If purchasing a Class 2 e-bicycle for your child/teen, consider disabling the throttle and/or establishing rules about not adjusting the throttle speed under any circumstance.



E-SCOOTER LAWS

- To legally operate an e-scooter in CA, one must be over the age of 16 with a learner's permit, or a driver's license
- California law prohibits riding e-scooters on sidewalks and pathways unless marked otherwise
- Riders must share the road with vehicles; may ride in bicycle lanes

Have questions or need e-bicycle safety training support? Contact the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition/Safe Routes to School Program at saferroutes@bikesonoma.org or 707-545-0153. www.sonomasaferroutes.org



RESOURCES



Sonoma County SRTS E-Bike FAQ includes information for parents, students, and school administrators



12 Minute E-Bike Safety Video from Pedal Ahead An easy to follow introductory video all about e-bike safety, including including maintenance needs for batteries & brakes



E-Bike Safety Training by CHP 1 hour, comprehensive training, highly recommend youth complete this training with an adult



The Caring Parent's E-Bike Survival Guide by Beth Black (available for purchase)

As cycling advocates, we are committed to prioritizing the safety of children.



What Can Schools/Districts & city partners do?

Develop Policies & Educate

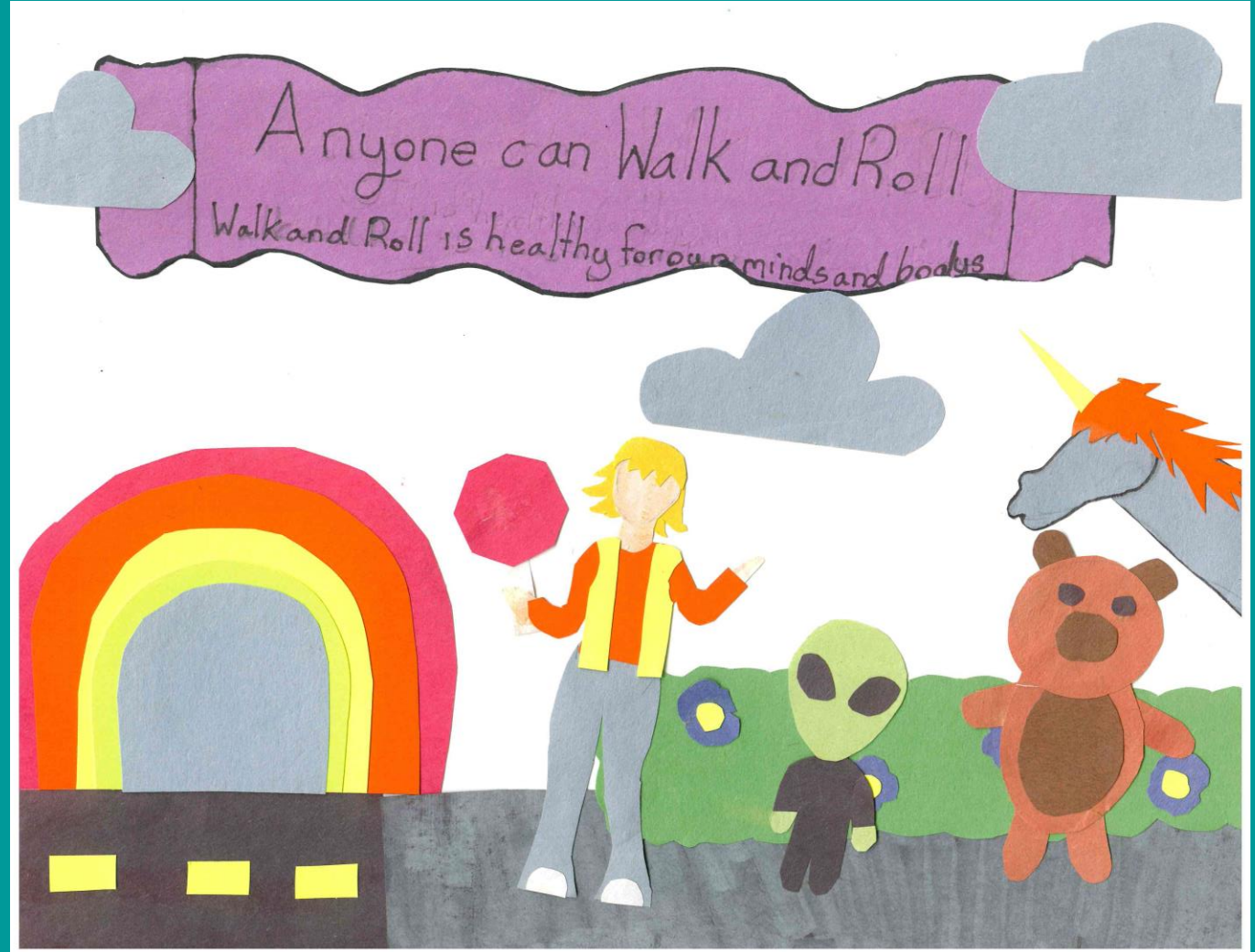


- ✓ Site or District letter to Middle/High School students/parents re: E-bicycles (*template available on SRTS website*)
- ✓ E-Bicycle Parking Registration Policy (*template available on SRTS website*)
- ✓ Letter from Local Law Enforcement to parents, describing illegal devices (*template available on SRTS website*)
- ✓ Implement the SRTS “Drive Your Bike” online modules in all middle school PE classrooms (E-Bicycle module coming soon!)
- ✓ Request an E-Bike education session for groups of parents and/or teens who are riding E-bikes to school

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

SANTA ROSA CITY SCHOOLS

AND

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION AND ITS SANTA ROSA CH 75

Santa Rosa City Schools ("District") and California School Employees Association and its Santa Rosa Chapter 75 ("CSEA"), together, "the Parties," enter into this Memorandum of Understanding ("Agreement") to facilitate the transition of students from middle schools to new Junior-Senior High Schools.


The District's interest is to provide one hundred (100) hours of additional worktime per Junior-Senior High School site to process registration and accompanying documentation associated with the influx of students previously at Middle Schools.

The District shall use its authority under the Collective Bargaining Agreement to offer, in order of seniority, call back time to unit members (as of July 1, 2025) occupying positions in classifications it deems appropriate to perform the work.

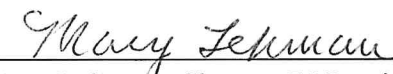
Should insufficient volunteers from the bargaining unit volunteer to work the additional hours, the remaining hours shall be offered as short term position(s) to individuals on the 39 month rehire list in the Middle School Counseling Secretary/Registrar classification, in order of seniority.

Such short term positions shall cease or otherwise be eliminated on or before August 13, 2025.

For Santa Rosa City Schools:

 6/25/25
Vicki Zands, Asst. Superintendent HR Date

For CSEA:

 6/25/25
Mary Lehman, Chapter 75 President Date

 6/25/25
Lisa August, Interim Superintendent Date

 6/25/25
Jeremy Arnold, Labor Relations Rep Date

Board Approved: 8/13/2025

CSEA Ratified: 7/08/2025