

SafeRoutes

National Center for Safe Routes to School



The Haines Borough was awarded \$5,500 by the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to conduct planning and program activities.

The purpose of this program is to increase the number of students who walk and bike to school.

What does Safe Routes to School mean to Haines?

SRTS will fund activities that encourages students to the walk or bike to school along safe routes.

This initial funding will allow us to identify and plan for infrastructure that enhance, improve or create a safe route within a two-mile radius of the school facility.



What can we do with the Safe Routes to School funding?

Safe Routes to School funds can support both infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects.

Infrastructure Projects

- Sidewalks
- Traffic calming and speed reduction
- Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements
- On-street and off-street bicycle facilities
- Off-street pedestrian facilities
- Traffic diversion improvements in the vicinity of Schools



Non-infrastructure Projects

- Activities to encourage walking and bicycling to school
- Public awareness campaign, community outreach
- Traffic enforcement operations in the vicinity of schools
- Traffic education
- Student training sessions (bicycle and pedestrian safety)
- Funding for training

Eligible recipients include state, local and regional agencies, and nonprofit organizations to help address planning, design and construction improvements in the vicinity of schools. Safe Routes to School funding is 100 percent federal through SAFETEA-LU, SEC 1404; no match is required.



We are a Task Force that will

-  **Identify areas used by pedestrians and cyclists**
-  **Create an action plan that will prioritize these areas and create safe, usable and attractive solutions**

Safe access to the Haines Borough School District would include bike paths, pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements and sidewalks.

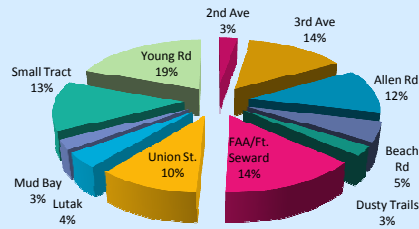
Haines Borough School District Student Survey – April 2009

Students were provided a map of the valley and asked to define their route to school. 81% of the student body in grades k-12 responded to the survey.

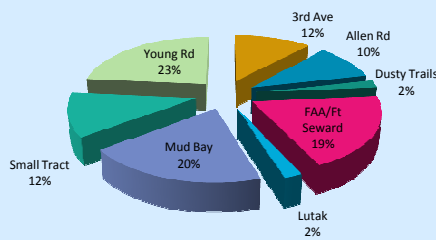
The survey shows that the Haines school student population is equally distributed throughout the community.

Sidewalk access to school varies from these locations. Sidewalks to school are limited or non-existent.

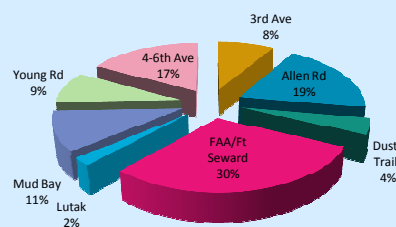
Elementary Students



High School Students



Middle School Students



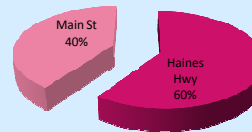
How do our students access the school building?

The Haines School current enrollment in grades k-12 is 277.
 110 in grades k-5
 69 in grades 6-8
 98 in grades 9-12.

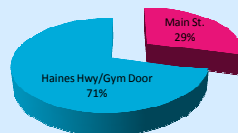
Our survey shows that 60% of elementary school students access the school from Haines Highway; 40% of students access the school from Glacier Bear Drive.

72% of Middle School Students access the building from Haines Highway; 28% from Main Street. 71% of High School students access the building from Haines Hwy and 29% from Main Street.

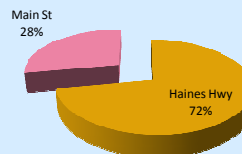
Elementary student access to the school building



High School student access to the building



Middle School student access to the school building

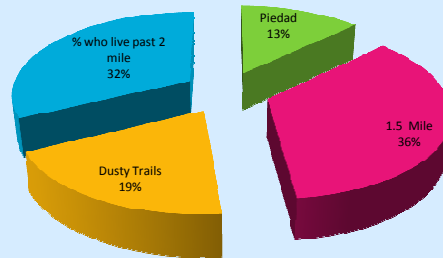


Students who ride the bus to school

According to school bus provider, SE Roadbuilders, Inc (SERB)
55% of the student who ride the bus live within 2 miles of the school, but do not have a safe route to school.



% of Students who ride the bus and live within 2 miles of school



Thank you for your time and interest in

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Walk or bike to school week is May 11-17