USING THIS MAP

How to choose a route

Locate your residence on the map and mark a route to school with the most traffic control.

The BEST routes will be those that have the most marked crosswalks, stop signs, and traffic signals. Always follow the route that keeps pedestrians and bicyclists as SAFE as possible.

Pedestrians should walk on the sidewalk, bicyclists should take bike lanes whenever possible.

STOP SIGNS

Indicated on map.

Cars, pedestrians, and bicyclists must stop at all stop signs. Intersections can have one to four stop signs.

After making sure cars have stopped, make eye contact with the driver(s) so you know they see you. Proceed to cross when it is SAFE.

INTERSECTIONS:

Traffic signals and pedestrian signal lights

Indicated on map.

Cars, pedestrians, and bicyclists must obey traffic laws at signaled intersections.

Traffic signals allow pedestrians to cross; red signal means no crossing. Only cross the street when it is safe to do so and you are given the white "Walk" signal.

ROUTES:

Indicated on map.

- Bike Lane
- Bike Route
- Bike Path
- Undesignated
- No Sidewalk

For bicyclists, bike lanes provide the most safety. Lanes are shared with vehicles on bike routes and undesignated roads.

SCHOOL:

Indicated on map.

PARKS:

Indicated on map.
Biking and walking are great for everyone – communities, businesses, schools and people. They promote active lifestyles, reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality – and it’s fun to get around!

**Biking Safety**
- Always wear a helmet.
- Perform the "ABC Quick Check" before every ride: Air in tires, functioning brakes, a chain that shifts correctly and is properly lubed, quick-release levers tightened and a general check of your bike (for bike parts).
- Keep your hands on the handlebars at all times.
- Wear proper attire for riding. If wearing pants, make sure to strap/fold the right pant leg.
- If riding at night, have proper reflectors, headlight, and a tail light.
- Keep a safe distance from parked cars.

**Walking Safety**
- Always use a marked crosswalk when one is available. The white or yellow lines of a crosswalk remind drivers to look out for pedestrians.
- Stop at the curb and look both ways before crossing the street.
- Obey the "DON'T WALK" signal.
- Don't assume that drivers see you! If there is traffic make eye contact with the driver before you cross.
- Always check for turning vehicles before stepping off the curb.
- Don’t run across the street, ALWAYS walk.

**Traffic Signals**
- Bicyclists must follow laws for cars at traffic signals.
- When riding your bike, obey traffic rules and stop completely at stop signs.
- DO NOT BLOCK THE BOXES!

**Pedestrian Signal Lights**
- Obey directions on pedestrian signal lights.
- The white "Walk" signals that it is legal to cross the street.
- When the red "Don’t Walk" signal starts flashing, DON’T cross the street! If the flashing starts after you have already started to cross, quickly finish.

**Suggested Safe Routes to School Map**

1. Choose the route to school that keeps you SAFE.
2. Cross at protected intersections with crosswalks, traffic signals, and stop signs.
3. ALWAYS check both ways before crossing at any intersection.
4. Ride your bicycle along routes with marked bike lanes. If there are no bike lanes, ride carefully. Watch for people and cars entering or leaving their driveways.
5. PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK

**Crosswalk**
- Use caution when crossing the street – even at a crosswalk. If you are using the crosswalk with a bicycle, ALWAYS walk the bicycle across.

**Chula Vista Bike Routes**

**Important Phone Numbers**

- For non-emergency Police assistance: 760-668-2400
- Medical, Police, or Fire: 911
- Need a Ride? Chula Vista Transit: 233-2304
- To report a stray dog or for dead animal removal, call the Chula Vista Animal Services Department at 656-3121
- To volunteer or for Environmental questions, call Nature Center: 656-6500

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