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Traffic Inducing Traffic



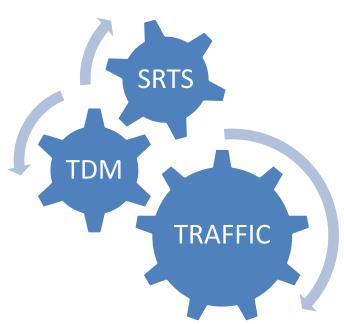


School Transportation

School Building & Site

Travel to & from School

- Safe Routes To School
 - Focus on Students
- Transportation Demand Management
 - Focus on Teachers, Staff & Visitors



Safe Routes to School

What is SRTS?

- Education
- Encouragement
- Enforcement
- Engineering
- Evaluation



Transportation Demand Management (TDM)



What is TDM?

"...a set of strategies aimed at maximizing traveler choices" (FHWA, 2012)

"...a bundle of strategies that influence travel behavior in order to improve both mobility and system efficiency" (Arlington County, VA)

Transportation Demand Management



Supply & Demand

 Focus on supply only can encourage more of the behaviors we don't want

Carrots & Sticks

- Incentivize and encourage the behaviors we want to see more of
- Disincentive and discourage the behaviors we want to less of
- 10%





APS GO!



TDM



SRTS















Transportation Demand Management

Safe Routes to School

Transportation Demand Management



- Sample Strategies
 - Priority parking spaces reserved for car & van pools
 - Carpool and vanpool ride matching services
 - Personalized route planning assistance
 - Public recognition
 - Subsidized transit
 - Competitions

Benefits



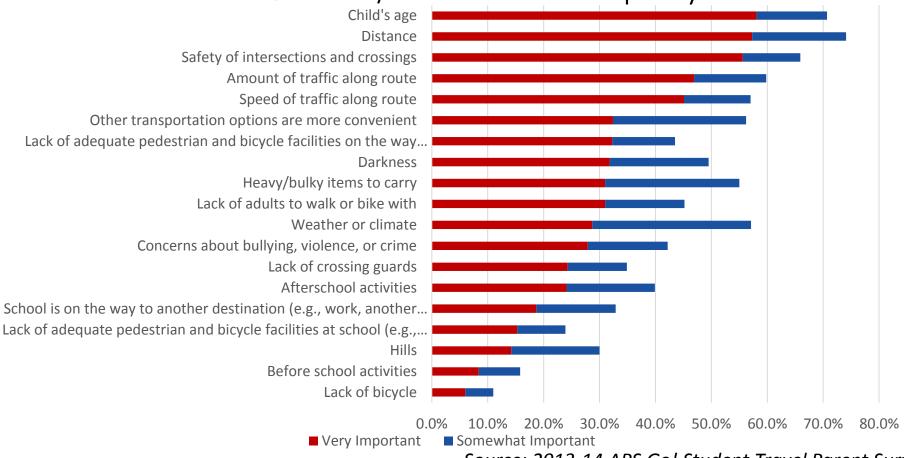
- Cost-effective alternative to increasing capacity
- Focus on safety
- Better environmental outcomes
- Improved public health
- Better student performance



Parent Survey—Decision Factors, Walk/Bike



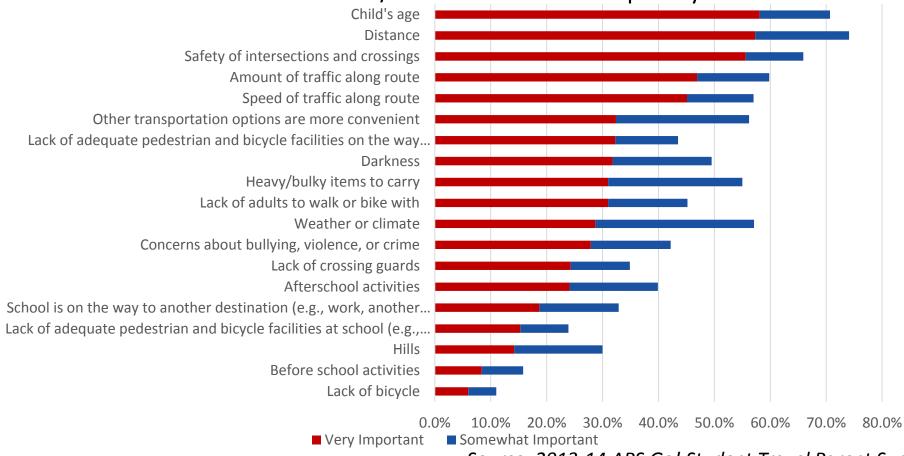
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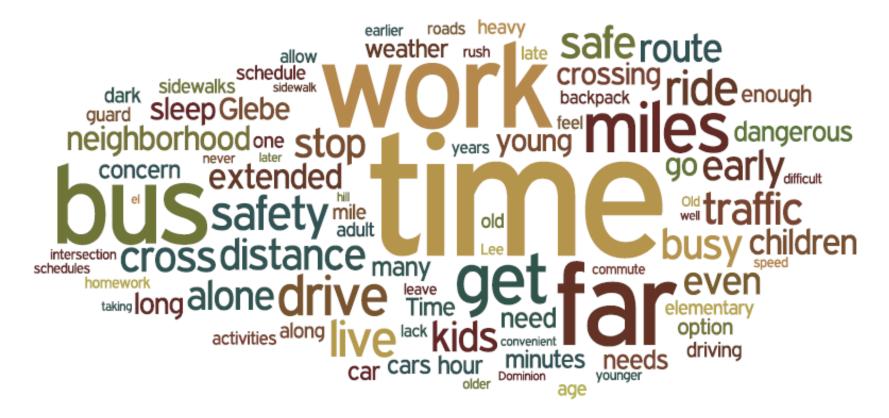


Source: 2013-14 APS Go! Student Travel Parent Survey

Parent Comments on Barriers to Walk/Bike



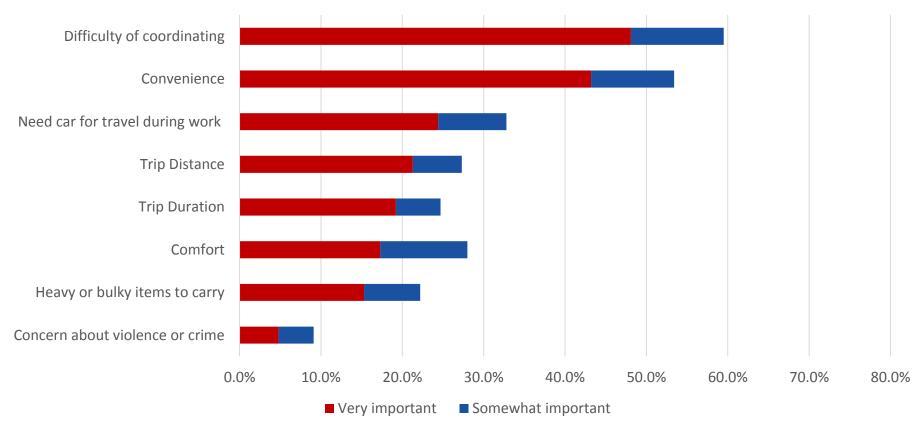
Respondents were invited to give open-ended responses to the above question about barriers to allowing their child to WALK or BIKE. Common themes are shown in this word cloud (larger words occurred more often):



Staff Survey—Decision Factors



"How important are the following factors in your decision not to **CARPOOL** to and from your APS work location more frequently?"

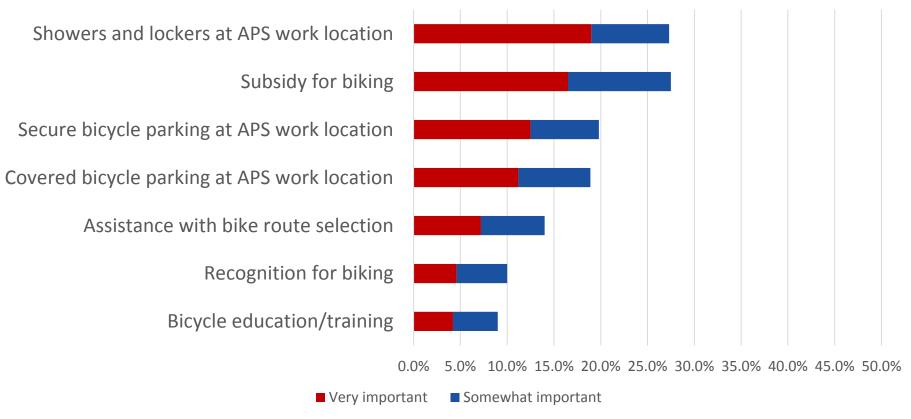


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Staff Survey—Incentives



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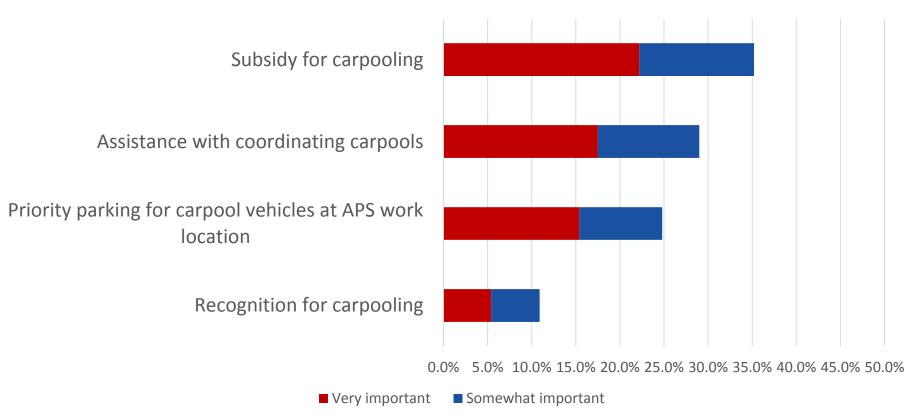


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BEST PRACTICES >> SCHOOL ACCESS & CIRCULATION

School Access & Circulation



Key Principles for School Transportation:

- 1. Prioritize Safety for All Users
- 2. Consider the Complete Trip
- 3. Separation of Modes / Minimize Conflicts

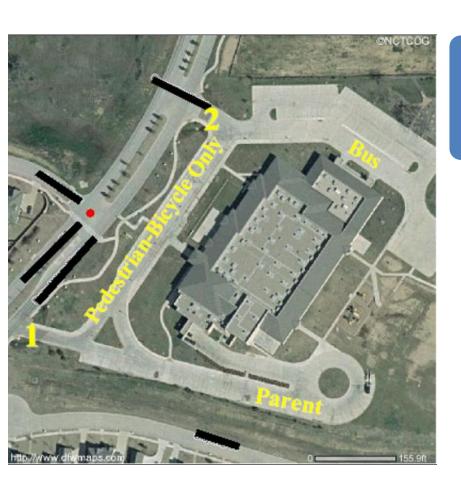
Separation of Modes

Other Site Needs:

- Maximize green/play space
- Limited locations for student arrival/dismissal
- Etc.

Separation of Modes



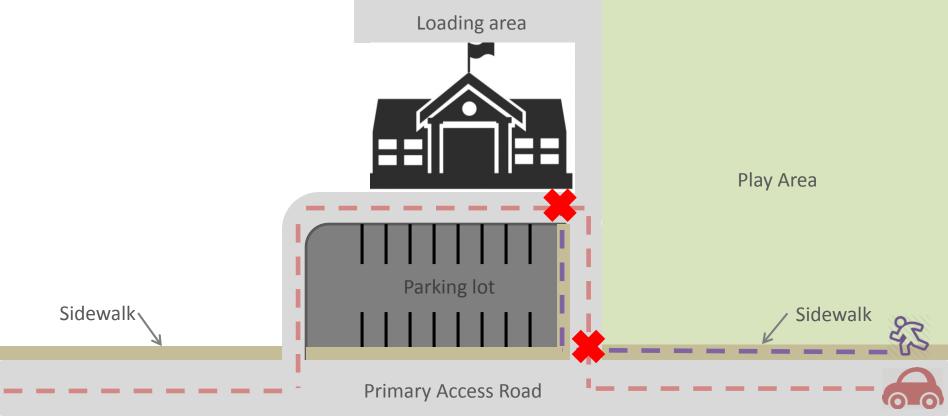


Separation of Modes

Minimize Conflicts

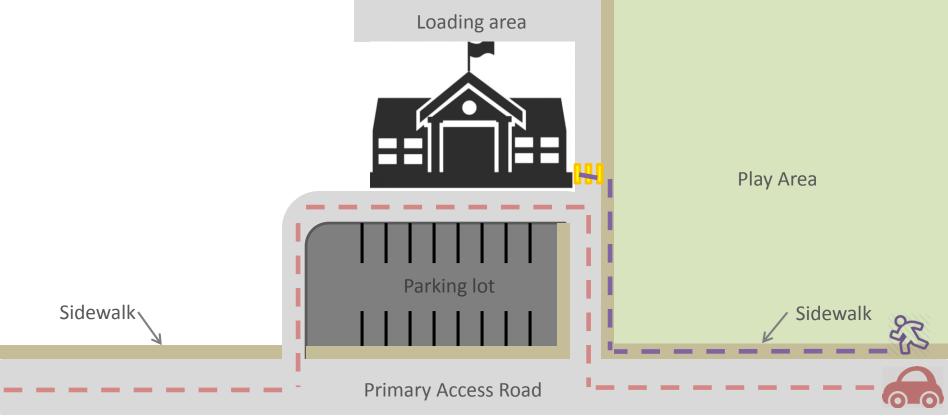
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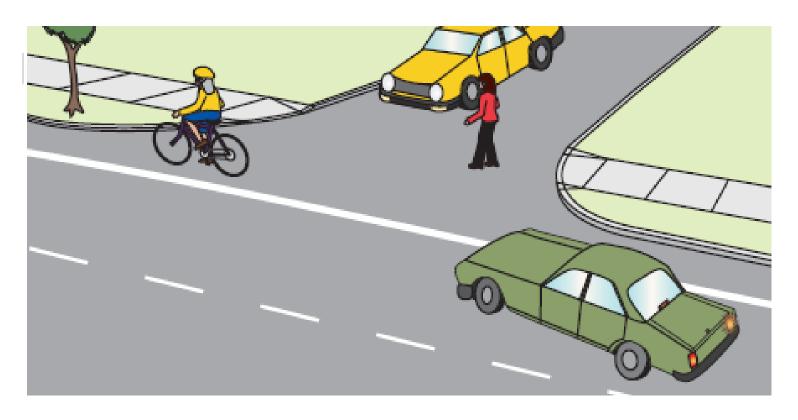






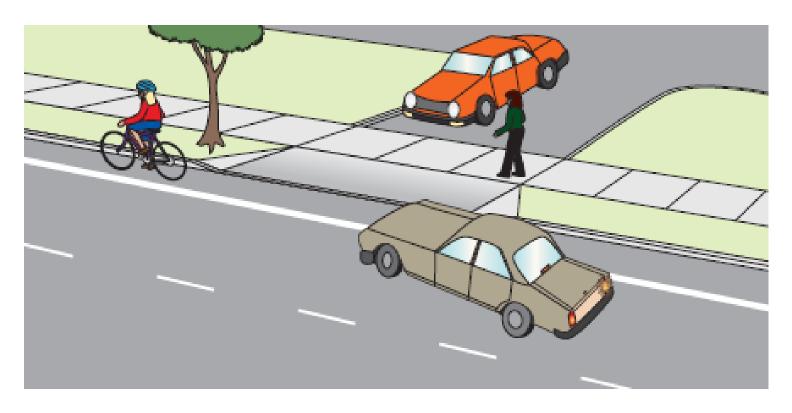






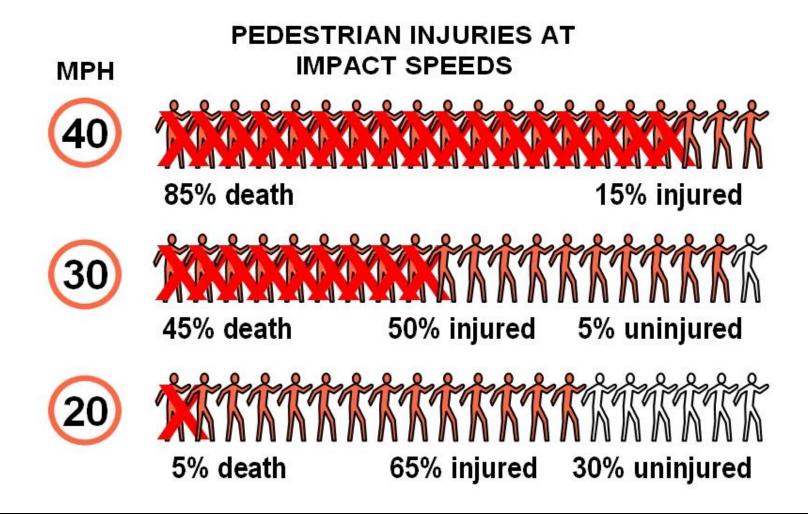
Don't build driveways like intersections





Prioritize continuous sidewalk





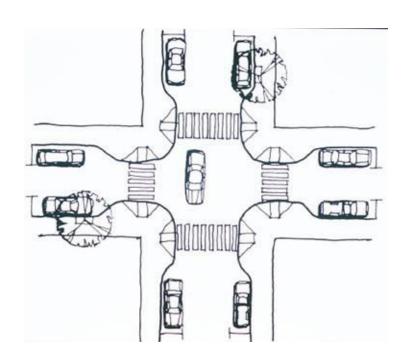
Parking restrictions at corners:

Better visibility for both drivers and pedestrians











Curb extensions:

Reduce the crossing distance and improve visibility

High Quality Bike Parking









- Convenient, well designed racks for students and visitors
- Secure parking area for teachers and staff

Provide Wide Enough Sidewalks



Recommended minimum: 5'

• Preferred minimum: 6'

• At schools: 8'-10'



Lessons Learned



- Set goals
- Set targets
- Tailor programs
- Evaluate & refine
- Understand there are no silver bullets





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8:00 - 8:45 AM	Breakfast and Registration
8:45 - 9:15 AM	Opening Welcome: Wendy Landman, Executive Director WalkBoston
	Walking Evolution and Revolution in One Minute!
9:15 - 10:45 AM	Classroom Sessions: Vision Zero / Site Planning for Walkability
10:45 - 11:00 PM	Coffee Break
11:00 - 12:30 PM	Classroom Sessions: Go Boston 2030 / Multisector Parnternships: Effective Advocacy
12:30 - 1:15 PM	Lunch in Gallery
1:15 - 2:00 PM	Luncheon Keynote Speaker: Gina Fiandaca, City of Boston Transporation Commissioner
2:00 - 5:00 PM	Mobile Tours: Placemaking Studio / Evolution and Revolution of the Greenway /
	East Cambridge Walking Tour
5:00 - 7:00 PM	Social Hour at District Hall, 75 Northern Ave, Boston, MA