

# WALKING SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM

## Parental Consent Form

### Purpose and Explanation of the Program

The Walking School Bus program is designed to get communities to work together to get children to or from school actively and safely. Children who participate in the program will walk to/from school led by adult volunteers. Children will walk independently to their homes from the designated stop or may be met by a parent. Children will not be walked to their door.

### Potential Risks

The Walking School Bus program is intended to reduce the risk of injury to children as they travel to/from school through the use of adult supervision. However, there are risks associated with child pedestrians. These specific risks include, but are not limited to, injury as a result of motor vehicle accidents, falls, overexertion, or other unforeseen events. Adult volunteers will do their best to ensure that no harm comes to any of the participants. The Walking School Bus program will run regardless of weather, so please dress your children appropriately.

### Voluntary Consent

I would like my child/children to use the Walking School Bus. I realize that my child's journey to school is still my responsibility. I have discussed the expectations of the Walking School Bus to my child/children.

**X** Signature of Parent / Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom \_\_\_\_\_

My child/children will join/leave the bus at this location: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the days and times you expect you child/children will be using the Walking School Bus:

Morning      M   T   W   TH   F

Afternoon    M   T   W   TH   F

If you have any questions about the program, please contact the school office.

In case of emergency or changes in the schedule please contact the school office.

Please check the box if you would like to sign up to volunteer to help with this program

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Availability: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY \_\_\_\_\_**