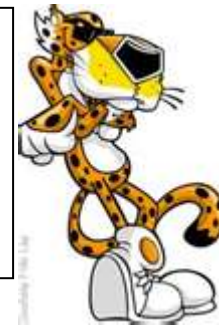




WOW
(WALK OR WHEEL TO SCHOOL)
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Dear Cheetah Families,

We are very excited about our new WOW (Walk or Wheel to School) program this year. This PTA program encourages students to walk or bike* to/from school**. Students will have the opportunity to go to the WOW Store after each 9 weeks of school to purchase prizes with the points that they earn.

The WOW program will start on October 7th, which is International Walk/Bike to School Day.

The student or parent is to fill in the log (which is on the back of this sheet) for each day that the student walks or bikes to/from school. Each way is worth one point, so if the student walks both to and from school, he/she will earn 2 points. At the end of each 9 weeks the student/parent is to tally the total number of points earned and sign the form. The form is to be turned into the student's teacher as indicated on the Log form. Each class will have the opportunity to go to the WOW store where students can purchase prizes with the points. The student may spend all his/her points or save them until later in the year, up until the end of the year, to purchase larger prizes. A new log will be distributed to each student through their class folders prior to the beginning of each 9 weeks.

Additional Logs, WOW program information, and pedestrian and bicycle safety tips are available on the PTA website under the WOW Program at www.parkglenpta.org.

If you have any questions regarding the WOW program or are interested in finding other students that live nearby in order to form a walk or bike pool, (or a car pool if walking/biking isn't feasible) please email: walkbikecarpool@parkglenpta.org, and include student name(s), address, closest intersecting street, phone number, grade, and desired mode of travel.

PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Safety is a top priority for students walking/bicycling to school. Handouts on pedestrian and bicycle safety can be found under the WOW program on the parkglenpta.org website. In summary, it talks about the importance of:

- 1) Walking or bicycling with your child in the beginning to find the safest route and teaching the proper way to cross the streets.
- 2) Always have your child walk with an adult or friend, and even better a group of friends for security.
- 3) Always wear a helmet, when bicycling or riding a scooter.

Students can form groups by asking other students that live nearby to walk or bike together. See walkbikecarpool above.

*Wheels can include bikes and scooters (non-motorized); and helmets are required. Please lock at school.

**If the parent feels that it is too far or there is not a safe route, the parent may drive the child and park at a distance the parent feels is appropriate for the child to walk/bike to school.

If you anyone is interested in volunteering – please contact Susan Kenney at walkbikecarpool@parkglenpta.org