

Get ready to celebrate healthy and sustainable transportation with the GoByBike Week School Guide!

This guide is your key to organizing a fun and educational week of active participation, where students, parents, and teachers can discover the joy of riding their bikes, scooters, or their preferred form of active transportation.

From June 3rd to 9th, 2024, we're celebrating Spring GoByBike Weeks and encouraging British Columbians to get out of their cars and onto their bikes. By participating, you'll not only promote physical activity, reduce carbon emissions, and build school spirit, but you'll also have a chance to win some awesome prizes!

In this guide, you'll find tips, tricks, and ideas for activities that educate and engage students. By promoting cycling and sustainable transportation, we can help children develop lifelong healthy habits, while also creating a positive impact on the environment. Plus, by reducing traffic in and around the school's neighbourhood and communities, students can arrive at school feeling fresh, energized, and ready to learn.

This Spring, two schools will win \$1,000 to support active transportation!





Student Incentives



Students can participate in the Bike Reels Student Video Contest for a chance to WIN a \$50 Visa Gift Card!



Guidelines

1. Students are to be 18 or
younger.

2. Video should be 60 - 90
seconds in length.

3. Video content should
encourage safety.



Admin & Teacher Incentives



Two BC schools will each WIN \$1,000 to fund active transportation initiatives at their school!









RACKS & STORAGE

SAFETY EDUCATION

EQUIPMENT

ENCOURAGEMENT ACTIVITIES





Ready to get started?!



NOT SURE HOW?

CLICK HERE FOR

A STEP-BY-STEP

TUTORIAL

1) CREATE A TEAM

Register on LogMyRide, create a

School Team (with students, parents, or

staff), and log individual or group rides

to win prizes! Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up for

free

2) SPREAD THE WORD

Hang our free posters around the school, create a social media post to invite families to join the school team, and create eNewsletters to motivate the school community to join in the fun!

3) EDUCATE AND INSPIRE

Check out our free online safe

cycling courses for you and

your students, including

GetStreetwise and Learn2Ride.

4) PLAN TO BIKE

Get out there and start logging
those KMs! Plan group rides,
those themed school events, and
host themed school events the
inspire kids to explore the
outdoors with their families.

TIP: RIDING BUBBLES
CONSIDER HAVING ONE
PARENT/TEACHER RIDE
ALONG WITH A GROUP
OF STUDENTS TO AND
FROM SCHOOL

Go to

https://logmyride.gobybikebc.ca/
to register, create a team, and log
bike rides.

TAKE our free course



TEACH our free course

StreetWise Cycling Online is a 1-2 hour interactive course designed to help beginner riders (adult and youth ages 12+) gain the knowledge and skills needed to start their cycling journeys with confidence.

This self-paced course covers:

- Essential and helpful gear
- Pre-ride ABC Quick Checks
- Route planning
- Rights and responsibilities as a person biking
- Riding on the road and navigating intersections
- Other helpful resources, and more!

Learn2Ride Online is a 1 hour interactive course designed to help youth (ages 9-12) years learn about basic cycling safety.

This game-based course covers:

- Parts of the Bicycle
- ABC Quick Check
- Locking a Bicycle
- Helmet and Safety Gear
- ABCs of Bike Safety: Awareness, Behaviour, and Communication





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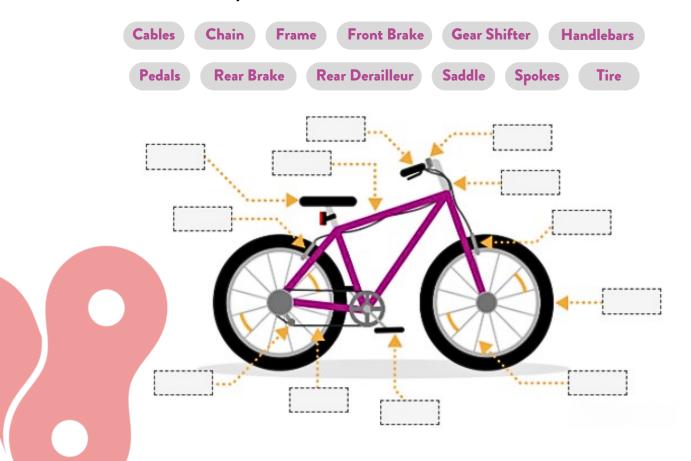
Learn2Ride Online is hosted on the popular education platform, Moodle. The course has been developed in collaboration with TransLink and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and is offered free of cost to public schools and residents of BC.

It can be completed at home or at school, at any time, from any computer or device with an internet connection. However, we recommend accessing the course through a Chrome or Safari browser on a computer or tablet.

The content is straightforward and interactive providing a self-guided resource for young cyclists; a "Spot the Differences" game teaching bike safety gear, and a Memory Game for road signs.

Sections can be completed over a few sessions and the students' progress will be tracked when logging back in each time. By completing each section students earn "badges" which can be printed out.

Bicycle Part: Names and Functions





To complement the Learn2Ride Online course consider organizing bike rodeos where students can learn and apply safe cycling techniques and bike handling skills, obeying traffic signs, and the laws of road use.

A bike rodeo can be comprised of many stations (such as helmet fit, bike check, snail race), or as simple as a single obstacle course with a few pylons.

Webinars can be recorded and provide for a great online resource.



Perform the "A-B-C-Check": check your bicycle's AIR (tire and tube condition as well), the BRAKES (still grippy and don't squeak?), and the CHAIN (too loose? too tight? rusty?).



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Plan your route before your ride, make sure to have an alternative route mapped out as well. Help other's plan their routes. Maybe you ride (parts of) a route together.

(3)

Be visible! Dress in bright colours and/or pack extra layers to be prepared for weather changes. Use daytime running lights on your bike - they help you to be seen.



Use the Tracking Poster to track trips that students choose to GoByBike. Establish it as a morning ritual when the students arrive. Collect weekend ride numbers. Adding their KM's, ticking the box, or putting the sticker on the poster is often a highlight! At the end of GoByBike Week, team leaders can tally results and log them online. The new Multi-Rider Mode makes this super easy. Log rides to be entered into the draw to win one of many great prizes!





No time to use LogMyRide for your School Team? Just send a photo of your completed Participation Tracker(s) to support@gobybikebc.ca and we will log it for you! Click <u>HERE</u> to download your Participation Tracker(s).

Appendix: eNewsletter Template

eNewsletters, emails, letters, and social media posts addressed to parents are great ways to rally GoByBike Week Teams and Team Leaders. Provide as much information as the school community might need about activities, prizes, etc. Insert links to your school's resources, photos of past GoByBike Weeks, or testimonials/quotes if applicable. Ask parents to commit to participating to model healthy, environmentally friendly lifestyles!

Sample Newsletter

Subject Line: Help our school win \$1000 by participating in GoByBike Week June 3-9!

Email Text: This June, schools across the province will participate in GoByBike Week for a chance to win \$1000 towards active transportation! You can help our school win \$1000 by encouraging your child/children to bike or roll to school (scooters, skateboards, etc. count too!) June 3-9. Active transportation enables students to spend more time outside, increases their daily exercise, helps them arrive energized and ready to learn at school, and helps them see how their actions can impact climate change. Increased active transportation to/from school helps reduce traffic around the school and less traffic makes a safer environment. By participating, students will be entered into prize draws for chances to win one of many prizes, such as bike lights, Amazon Gift Cards, and more! Participation is free, fun, and great for everyone!

Appendix: Useful Links and Additional Resources

BIKE SENSE: THE HOW-TO GUIDE FOR CYCLING IN BC

https://bccycling.ca/bikesense-index

Free download or order print copies



https://gobybikebc.ca/cycling-education/learn2ride-online/

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https://gobybikebc.ca/cycling-education/streetwise-online/

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ICBC'S ROAD SAFETY FOR EDUCATORS

https://www.icbc.com/road-safety/teaching/Pages/For-educators.aspx

Age appropriate road safety resources

Grade level: K-10

CAN-BIKE COURSES THROUGHOUT BC

https://canbikecanada.ca/









Appendix: Promotional Materials











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