**Safe Routes Web Quest**

1. The program that Grant Farnsworth from UDOT recommended is called [Safe Routes](https://www.saferoutesutahmap.com/accounts/login/). Visit the website and use the search tool to find West High School’s safe routes plan. What did you learn about our plan?

They added a button for us.

1. What Salt Lake City School District schools do have a Safe Routes plan?

North Star Elementary, Escalante Elementary, North West Middle School.

1. Visit the Clayton Middle School website [here.](https://clayton.slcschools.org/our-school/maps-transportation) This is their Safe Routes plan. Click on the plan to view it in a new tab. What information does the Safe Route plan show?

School bus loading, student drop and pickup, crossing guard, traffic signal.

1. Based on this map, what do you think the criteria is for a ‘safe route”? In other words, what makes a route safe?

Safe route has crossing guards, traffic signal, stop sign, and cross walks to keep students safe.

1. Find another Safe Routes plan on a school website. Which school did you find? Paste the URL below. Escalante Elementary: <https://www.saferoutesutahmap.com/map/school-maps/J3iO3AicTomKz7qtypV2Xw>
2. Sometimes when schools create their Safe Routes map, they decide to make changes. Check out this list of [actions](http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/case_studies/engineering.cfm) schools have taken. List and describe the 3 most interesting projects you find.

Greenway Pedestrian Bridge In Phoenix Arizona built a bride over the parkway because it was dangerous for students to get to school through the busy seven lane arterial. Speed Sensitive Signals in Boulder, CO; Arlington, VA; and Washington, D.C. Students pass arterial streets to get to school where there are high speed vehicles. They put signals that detect if they are going over limit they put a red light that stops and delays the driver. Student Waiting Areas and Stand Back lines in Phoenix Arizona put a safe area between the students and traffic for students to wait.

1. Why was the [Safe Routes](http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/introduction/history_of_srts.cfm) program created? Write a 1-2 sentence summary of the program’s history.

Safe Routes program started in the 1970’s because of the concern of students safety going to school. This spread internationally, and Congress created the Federal Aid Safe Routes to School Program in 2005 resulting in $1 billion in funding.

1. List reasons why fewer children are [walking and riding their bikes](http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/introduction/the_decline_of_walking_and_bicycling.cfm) to school?

Parents think that’s it’s unsafe for their children to walk or bicycle to school. The distance to school, and traffic related danger.

1. Why is walking to school a [good thing](http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/introduction/health_risks.cfm)?

Because students have a lower risk of being overweight or obese and promotes psychological wellbeing.

1. What are the [steps](http://guide.saferoutesinfo.org/steps/index.cfm) to creating a plan?

Find people who want to make walking and bicycling to school safe for children. Hold a meeting to have people share their thoughts to help create the plan. Collect information by looking at the routes to school and see what the issues are. Find solutions to the problems then make and fund the plan. Participate in activities like Walk to School Day. Monitor how things are doing and adjust.