October is Walk to School Month!

On Wednesday, October 5th and throughout the month of October, South Carolinians will proudly be joining communities throughout the world as we celebrate International Walk to School Day. This newsletter is full ideas to fuel and inspire your iWalk events.

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Resource Center News
Safe Routes to School National Course Offerings

The Resource Center is sponsoring training on SRTS developed by the National Center for SRTS at four locations across South Carolina this fall.

- Greenville on October 25, 11:30 am- 4:00 pm
- Rock Hill on October 26, 12:00 pm - 4:45 pm
- Blythewood on November 1, 11:30 am - 4:30 pm

From our State Coordinator
Rodney Oldham, CHES, CPT

Over 125 schools in South Carolina will be kicking-off walking and bicycling events during iWalk. Whether your school’s event involves city officials, media and other community supporters or perhaps engages all students through walk at school participation, we invite you to share your story and photos from iWalk.

Send your SRTS School Outreach Coordinator a highlight of your event and you may be featured in our upcoming newsletter or on the website.

We hope that your event will be the launch of many walking and rolling events this school year. Happy walking and rolling . . .

International Walk to School Day
October 5th, 2011

Every October, schools all over the world participate in International Walk to School Day. It is a great way
The sessions are free but space is limited. To RSVP or for more information, call the Resource Center Hotline at 855.4SC.SRTS.

Resource Center News
Get Ready for iWalk!

International Walk to School Day is approaching right around the corner! Is your school ready for the fun festivities?

Make sure you take the time to go through the SC Safe Routes to School Resource Center website. We’ve uploaded many downloadable resources that may help to promote your event, both within your school and your community!

We encourage you to make use of the following:
- Letters to send home to parents
- Flyers and signage for your event
- Classroom lessons about safety
- Press Release to send to your local news stations and newspapers
- Ask your local officials to issue Proclamations of Support

On the Resource Center website, you can find a Safe Kids’ Walk to School Guidebook. Safe Kids and FedEx have teamed up to create “Safe Kids Walk This Way.” This guidebook teaches safe behavior to motorists and child pedestrians and identifies ways to create safer, more walkable communities.

Good luck, have fun, and be safe!

Spotlight on a Friend: Partners for Active Living

Schools throughout Spartanburg County are invited to join Partners for Active Living in walking for a healthier, safer and more active community. Registered schools are eligible for the coveted Golden Shoe Award. Partners for Active Living seeks to make Spartanburg County, South Carolina a healthy, more livable community by promoting walking, bicycling and physical activity as a part of everyday life.
The event will be held before school starts as law enforcement escorts the parade down Harbor View Road to the school. Students will be carrying signs from Safe Kids. This will be a great community event hosted by the school that encourages everyone to walk and bike more!