Edison "Lights" the Way to School

SAFE R®UTES TO SCHOOL EAST CENTRAL WISCONSIN

Dear Edison Elementary Families,

We are excited to announce the City of Appleton's Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Painting Project.

This project is unique, as it will provide our students with five designated safe routes to walk and bicycle to school. Sidewalks leading to Edison Elementary will be marked with lightbulbs to let students know those streets are the safest route to travel. It will look like Thomas Edison left a trail of his famous lightbulbs himself to guide the students to school!

To create these routes we met with parents, teachers, and city staff to gather input on the safest routes and to address any safety concerns. We looked at creating routes that have sidewalks, lower traffic volume/speeds, marked crosswalks, and crossing guards present.

We think these routes will be a fun way to tie our neighborhoods together and encourage families to get outside and visit important green spaces throughout the City.



Please review the walking routes map on the backside of this handout and provide feedback and any questions you might have to Edison.elem.pta@gmail.com



WALKING SAFETY

If your student is already walking to school, please review these tips with them!

- Walk! Don't push, shove, or chase!
- Obey all traffic signals and signs.
- If you have to walk on the street, always walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
- Use a crosswalk and crossing guards, if available.
- Avoid crossing busy or high-speed streets.
- Be visible. Wear reflective/bright-colored clothing.
- Look and listen; don't be distracted.
- Watch for cars pulling out of driveways.
- Never play in the road.
- Walk with a friend.

