Sustainable Transportation Competencies

Bus Competencies

- Use the sidewalk to get to the bus stop. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left, facing traffic.
- Go to the bus stop about three minutes before the scheduled bus arrival time. Wait at the bus stop away from the road.
- Line up away from the street as the bus approaches.
- Wait until the bus has stopped and the door opens before stepping onto the roadway.
- Use the handrail when stepping onto the bus.
- Find a seat on the bus and sit down, if possible.
- Avoid loud talking or noise that can distract the bus driver.
- Keep your head, arms, and hands inside the window.
- Keep aisles clear -- books or bags are tripping hazards and can block the way in an emergency.
- Before you reach your stop, get ready to leave by getting your belongings together.
- At your stop, wait for the bus to stop completely before getting up from your seat. Then, walk to the door and exit, using the handrail.
- Cross the street behind the bus.
- Stay away from the bus' rear wheels.
- Use the bus’ front bicycle carrier when you want to combine transportation modes.
- Be considerate of travelers in other transportation modes.