

**National Bike to School Day is Wednesday, May 7.**

**That week the City of Minneapolis will celebrate Bike Week (May 4-11), organized by the Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition.**



During MPLS Bike Week, the Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition will create a number of Commuter Pit Stops around the city, providing encouragement and amenities to bicyclists on their commutes during Bike Week (May 4 - 11).

**Minneapolis Bike Week is offering additional Commuter Pit Stops at ALL MPS High Schools on National Bike to School Day— Wednesday, May 7—to encourage more students and staff to bike to school.**

**Would your school like to host a Pit Stop for students and staff at your school on Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>?**

The High School Pit Stops will look similar to the other Pit Stops, only tailored to the specific high school community.

Minneapolis Bike Week will provide

- Volunteers to greet bikers at a table outside your school as bikers arrive to school in the morning
- **Free goodies like BIKE LIGHTS, maps, stickers, and more**
- Bike-shop sponsored mechanic to do bike repairs at arrival
- Coordination with local businesses to make the event fit the community



High School Hosts need to provide a person or group to coordinate the event within the school and to communicate with the Bike Week organizers. This will include

- Getting administration approval and input for the event
- Determining the location (i.e. near which door, bike rack, etc,) and times (i.e. “give-aways” from 7 a.m.-7:45 a.m.) for the event
- Promoting the event to the school community
- Planning for additional bike parking on May 7<sup>th</sup>
- Providing a table/s and 1+ staff for the event
- Working with the Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition to tailor the event to your school community

## **SIGN US UP!**

**Please let MPS Safe Routes to School know if you would like a Pit Stop at your school for National Bike to School Day, by calling or emailing Jenny Bordon, 612-668-5419 [Jennifer.bordon@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:Jennifer.bordon@mpls.k12.mn.us) by **Wednesday, March 5****



Bike to School events foster academic achievement, raise environmental awareness, increase student health and build connections students, school and the larger community. Best of all these events are fun! We hope a student leadership group, green team, or even a single impassioned individual will accept this exciting invitation.