

Safety on Bicycles and Other Wheeled Conveyances

Elementary School Restrictions

Except as to District provided transportation, parents and guardians are responsible for the safety of their children in getting to and from school. The District strongly recommends that no student be allowed to ride bicycles to and from school before the student has been enrolled in the **3rd grade unless accompanied by an adult. Scooters, rollerblades and skateboards**, motorized or not, may not be brought to school. Bicycles are to be walked on school grounds. Bicycles are to be parked and locked in the bicycle rack and not removed until the student is ready to leave for home.

Use of Protective Helmets

City of Lawrence Ordinance No. 7738, section 17.706 states:

- (A) No person fifteen (15) years of age or younger shall ride a bicycle, wear, ride or use any roller skates, inline skates, roller blades, skateboards, or scooter, as these things are commonly defined, within the city limits without properly wearing an approved skate or bicycle helmet securely fastened by chin or neck strap.
- (B) An approved skate or bicycle helmet is headgear which meets or exceeds the impact standard for protective helmets set by the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission Safety Standard for Bicycle Helmets.

City of Lawrence Ordinance No. 7738, section 17.707 states: There shall be no fine or jail sentence for violation of Section 17-706. In lieu of a fine, any person fifteen (15) years of age or younger found violating section 17-706 shall be eligible to receive a coupon from a Lawrence law enforcement officer or a Lawrence/Douglas County Fire Medical Department staff person; such coupon shall be valid for one (1) free bicycle helmet redeemable at a designated Lawrence – Douglas County Fire and Medical facility as supplies of helmets are available.