

# CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

(Please print all information legibly.)

Name of Student		
Grade	School Name	
School Address		
City	State	Zip
School Phone Number		
Name of Classroom Teacher		
Name of Principal		

Entries must be postmarked by October 31st.

Please securely attach this form (or a photocopy) to the back of each entry being submitted.  
Forward all entries to the following address:

**BE ACTIVE NEW YORK STATE**  
Attn: Justin Booth  
65 Niagra Square  
Room 607  
Buffalo, NY 14202  
Fax: 716-851-4309  
Email: [jbooth@city-buffalo.org](mailto:jbooth@city-buffalo.org)



[www.nyswalks.org](http://www.nyswalks.org)

#### For more information contact:

New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, Pedestrian Program at (518) 474-5111 or visit [www.safeny.com](http://www.safeny.com)

New York State Department of Transportation, Bicycle and Pedestrian Program at (518) 457-7664 or visit [www.dot.state.ny.us](http://www.dot.state.ny.us)

Be Active New York State at (716) 851-4052 or visit [www.BeActiveNYS.org](http://www.BeActiveNYS.org)

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# WALK to SCHOOL



# Annual Writing Contest

# CALLING ALL WRITERS!

Calling all writers! We need you to participate in the annual Walk to School Safely writing contest. The New York State Partnership for Walk Our Children to School (WOCS) invites all elementary school (Grades 1-5) students to join in the fun! This writing contest helps to support National Walk to School Day, held every year in October. The writing contest theme, *"Why the Principal should walk to school with me"*, should remind *EVERYONE* that walkable communities can create safer and healthier children and adults.

You too can join communities and children in New York State and around the world:

- ▶ Develop lifelong safe, walking habits;
- ▶ Promote the health benefits of walking;
- ▶ Realize how much fun walking can be;
- ▶ Create safe and more walkable communities; and
- ▶ Spend healthy, active time with friends, family and community!



## Rules:

Each elementary school (Grades 1-5) may submit up to five (5) samples of their students' writing for judging. All letters must be either typed or printed clearly on an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper no more than two pages double spaced. Entries must be postmarked by October 31. **All schools participating in the writing contest must register on-line at [www.nyswalks.org](http://www.nyswalks.org)**

## Certification:

The "Certificate of Participation" must be attached to the entry. Please complete the "Certificate of Participation" clearly and completely. Entries omitting this certificate will be disqualified.

## Reproduction Rights:

All received entries will become the property of the NYS Partnership for Walk Our Children to School. The Partnership reserves the right to use all submissions for statewide promotional materials.

## Awards:

The Partnership for Walk Our Kids to School will judge all entries. Winning letters will be posted on the [www.nyswalks.org](http://www.nyswalks.org) website. Finalists will receive a prize package, which includes a "Certificate of Achievement"

