



## PHOENIX – BIKE TRAIN INFORMATION SHEET

### **What is a bicycle train?**

A variation on the Walking School Bus is a bicycle train where a group of children and adult leaders ride together to school.

A bicycle train offers a safe, fun way to ride as a group. Because of the equipment involved and the potential need to ride on a road, planning and conducting a bicycle train is more involved than having a walking school bus. Basic considerations are outlined below.

- Bicycle trains are best suited for older elementary children.
- All riders must wear bicycle helmets.
- Before starting the program, providing children with practice and training on bicycle handling and rules of the road is recommended.
- More adult supervision is needed than for walking. One adult for every three to six children is recommended.

For directions on how to conduct a bicycle train, click on the “Guidelines for Bike Train Engineers and Cabooses” page.

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