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- Transportation accounts for 62% of Marin’s greenhouse gas emissions – compared to 40% statewide.
- Up to 28 pounds of carbon dioxide are emitted for every gallon of gasoline burned.
- Up to 26% of morning traffic consists of parents driving their children to school.



## SchoolPooling benefits to families and the community:

- Fewer car trips means reduced greenhouse gases and other pollutants.
- Less traffic congestion improves safety on our streets for kids to walk and bike to school.
- Parents save time and money by driving less.
- Fewer cars in the school parking lot means greater safety for children.
- Walking and biking provide much needed exercise and establish healthy habits.
- When kids walk and bike, they arrive at school awake and ready to learn.
- SchoolPooling is a great way to make new friends.

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