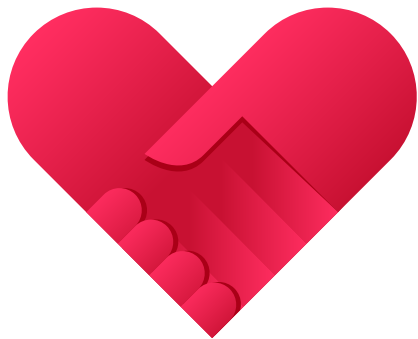


# 5 top reasons why you should get involved in Kentfield Neighborhood SchoolPool program



## 1. SAFETY

Traffic in school parking lots and drop-off zones can become dangerous when several hundred parents are trying to get their children to and from school at the same time. Fewer cars on our streets means a safer commute environment for our children.

## 2. COST SAVINGS

Getting involved with your Neighborhood SchoolPool program can save you money by reducing the amount of driving you do. You will use less gas and save on the wear and tear of your car.

## 3. TIME SAVINGS

Save time by reducing the number of days you drive your children to and from school.

## 4. CLEAN AIR AND IMPROVED HEALTH

Fewer cars on our streets translates into cleaner air for all of us. Walking and biking to school provides the minimum daily exercise children need.

## 5. MEETING NEW FRIENDS

Getting involved with your neighborhood SchoolPool program is a great way for you and your children to meet neighbors who are also Kentfield school parents and students.

## NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLPOOL CREATES LIFELONG FRIENDS

*When my daughter was in first grade in 2001, I started a carpool with one of her classmates who lived in the same neighborhood. That carpool soon grew into four families. We started carpooling together because it made sense since we traveled the same route every day, but we were also motivated to make it work because we wanted to drive less.*

*We organized an easy schedule and each mom picked one day to drive. From then on, I only had to drive to school once a week – what a timesaver! Every Wednesday, we all biked to school with our kids. We took younger siblings on bike extensions while we taught the first graders how to ride safely.*

*As the kids grew older they continued to bike every Wednesday on their own as it became less and less cool to bike with Mom or Dad. But I still loved waving goodbye to my daughter every Wednesday (with a cup of coffee in my hand) as she confidently rode away on her bike to join the other neighborhood kids.*

*It's now 2010 and we carpool our children to Middle School, two miles away. As they move into high school, they plan to walk, thanks to our neighborhood habit of traveling to school together.*

- Laura, Deer Park neighborhood, Fairfax, California