



Safe and Convenient School Commuting

Environmentally Friendly Ride, Walk, Bike
Matching Options for Students in Grades K-10.

TBARTA's Regional School Commute Program is a partnership between TBARTA, school districts/ organizations, and participating schools. Support for the Regional School Commute Program is provided through the Florida Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School Program, a national initiative that supports improvements for getting children to and from school.

Available across the Tampa Bay region, the program provides free online matching for parents and students for:

- **School Carpooling** – a group of children and parents, or responsible adult over 18, who ride to school together;
- **Walking School Bus** – a group of children walking to school with one or more adults; and
- **Bike Train** – a group of children and parents who ride bicycles to school together with other families.

Good Reasons to Share the Commute to School

- Provides options for parents
- Saves money on gas and automobile wear and tear
- Reduces car lines and traffic congestion around school
- Promotes safety for students by arriving in a group
- Helps keep the earth clean and beautiful

To Register: The School Program webpage: bitly.com/tbarta-school-program is the portal for online registration, program information, and updates.

Registration is open any time and must be redone at the beginning of each school year so information remains current. All program options require that the responsible parent or adult must be over 18.

Matching: Once registered, immediate match results are provided to parents based on their home location and school commute. Parents are matched with other parents and can check matches at their convenience, as well as printing or emailing results.

Matches increase as more families enroll, and this is key to a successful program.

All information is confidential. TBARTA and your school provide the tools, parents make the arrangements regarding student pick-up times and scheduling after school activities.

Successful Programs: If you are reading this flyer, you are on the way to contributing to a successful program at your school. School commuter programs need motivated parents and families seeking transportation options and an interest in a well-structured program. Familiarity with carpooling is helpful but not required.

Contact us or your School Program Coordinator with questions or visit our website at bitly.com/tbarta-school-program.

