

Active4.me at Willett and Bike Davis are offering an on-road bike safety event for up to thirty 4th-6th graders on October 19 at 1:30 PM. The purpose of the event is to give students confidence in riding on their own, navigating intersections in Davis, and specifically, making left turns from the vehicle lane. At all times, we will be emphasizing awareness of and communication with other road users. At the end of the training, participating students will receive a free smoothie from Jamba Juice in Marketplace.

Students will meet in a classroom on campus after school, where we will review the rules of the road, teach road positioning and the scan-signal-merge technique for approximately 45 minutes. Thereafter, students will do their own helmet- and bike-checks, with reminders as needed. Students will be divided into 3 groups of 10 each, led by a "League of American Bicyclist"-certified instructor and at least one volunteer. The instructors will take each group to intersections that are en route to Willett where they will practice their intersection navigation skills, including making a left turn from a vehicle lane. The LCI will then lead their group to the intersection of Sycamore and Covell and demonstrate how to safely scan, signal and merge into the left-turn lane, then make the turn onto the Covell Bike Path. Following the demonstration, students can elect the left turn from vehicle lane, or make a two-legged left turn crossing Covell first and Sycamore next, in the crosswalk. Volunteers will provide guidance for both methods. Once the group is on the bike path, it will then proceed through the Marketplace parking lot to Jamba Juice.

If you are interested in having your student take this bike

safety course, please email  
chrysal2waters@yahoo.com. You will send the League of  
American Bicyclists waiver and another form, specific to this  
event. We will be asking parents to verify that their student  
has the knowledge and maturity to participate in this safety  
training.

Thanks very much for your interest.