



Stop, Drop and Walk Routes to F.AVE

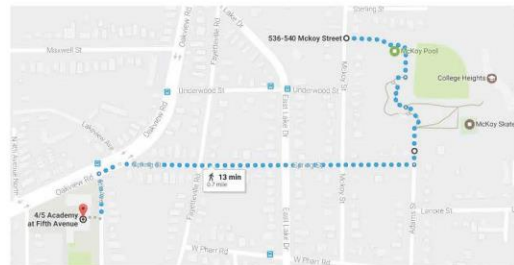
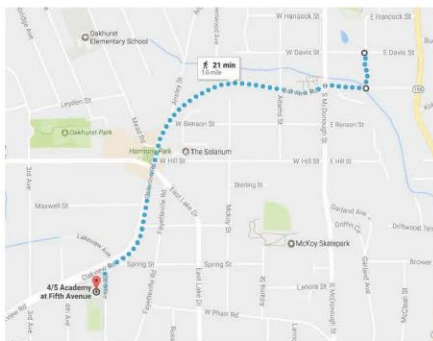
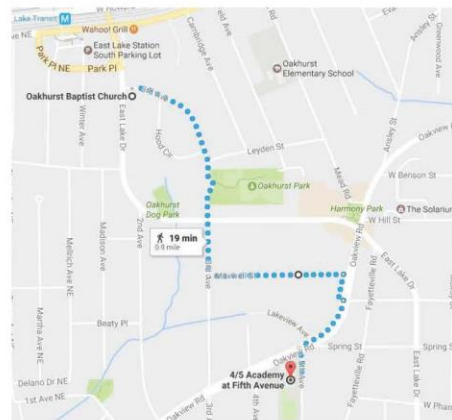
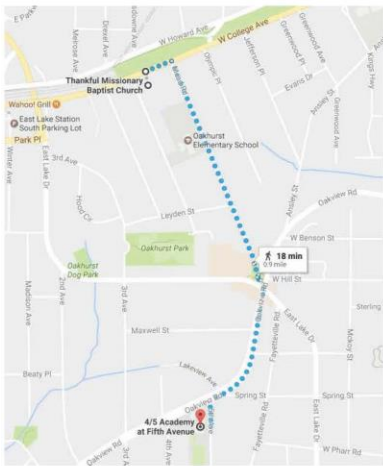
If you live far from F.AVE, consider driving your child partway to school and then letting him/her walk the rest of the way by him/herself or with friends. Four possible drop-off locations and routes are highlighted below. Each route has continuous paths and/or sidewalks, marked crosswalks, stop signs at intersections, and crossing guards at key locations.

Why Walk to School?

Dropping your child off and letting him/her walk is a win-win for everyone!

Some of the benefits include:

- Time to Socialize with friends
- Time spent outdoors in nature is calming
- Exercise improves learning, concentration and mood
- Increased independence and responsibility
- Decreased traffic around F.AVE
- Reduction in driving and idling time
- Support of the Decatur culture of walking



Route descriptions are on the back.
 Visit decaturga.com/srts for more information.

Route Descriptions:

Mead Road to Oakview Road (.8 mile)

Highlight: A nice walk past Oakhurst Elementary and through Harmony Park. Enjoy the mural!

Drop-off location: Thankful Baptist Church parking lot on College Avenue.

- Walk on the west side of Mead Road toward Oakhurst Elementary School.
- Cross to the east side of Mead Road at the crosswalk in front of Oakhurst and continue to Harmony Park.
- Walk through Harmony Park to reach the crossing guards located at the Oakview Road and East Lake Drive intersection.
- Follow Oakview Road to school. Crossing guards are located at the Fifth Avenue intersection.

Third Avenue to Oakview Road (.9 mile)

Highlight: Quiet tree-lined streets with sidewalks.

Drop-off location: Oakhurst Baptist Church parking lot on Third Avenue.

- Walk on the northeast side of Third Avenue toward Oakhurst Park.
- Cross over to the west side of Third Avenue at the 4-way stop at the East Lake Drive intersection and continue on Third Avenue to Maxwell Street.
- Turn left onto Maxwell Street and continue to Oakview Road.
- Turn right onto Oakview Road and continue to school. Crossing guards are located at the Fifth Avenue intersection.

PATH to Oakview Road (1 mile)

Highlight: This route goes through a scenic portion of the PATH which includes two small bridges.

Drop-off location: East Davis Street (very quiet in the early morning) near PATH trail.

- Enter PATH, bearing right after the first bridge.
- Exit PATH onto Oakview road at the 3-way stop with crossing guard.
- Continue on Oakview Road to school. Crossing guards located at East Lake Drive and Fifth Avenue intersections.

McKoy Park to Spring Street (.7 mile)

Highlight: The section through McKoy Park is on a paved path with nice views of the rest of the park.

Drop-off location: McKoy Park parking lot, near the pool house.

- Follow the paved path (near entrance, west of pool) through McKoy Park towards the upper parking lot.
- Exit McKoy Park onto the sidewalk on the east side of Adams Street.
- Turn right onto Spring Street. Travel on the north side, crossing over to the south side at McKoy Street.
- Turn left onto Oakview Road and continue to school. Crossing guards are located at the Fifth Avenue intersection.

These routes have been chosen for safety, interest for children, and convenience of the drop-off locations. We encourage parents to carpool to the drop-off locations and/or meet up with parents driving from other neighborhoods. Also, since parent driving time will be decreased both due to the lesser driving distance to drop-off points and because traffic is lighter earlier in the morning, some parents will find it possible to either routinely or occasionally walk with their child.

You can check F.AVE's new school website, to be active in mid June, for links to larger maps and more information about the Walk and Roll/Safe Routes to School Program at F.AVE. Follow the Safe Routes to School link on the homepage. If you have any questions or ideas, contact Lisa Coronado at lisamauldin@att.net. Thanks!