

Students, parents to celebrate National Bike to School Day this week

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Watch out for little bikers.

Ten Weld County elementary schools will join nearly 100 statewide in celebrating National Bike to School Day on Wednesday.

Students from McAuliffe, Centennial, Meeker, Dos Rios and Jackson elementary schools in Greeley, along with students from Platteville Elementary, Butler Elementary, Milliken Elementary and Pete Mirich Elementary and Greeley's Chappelow K-8 will be walking and biking to work with parents, teachers and community leaders, according to a Weld County news release.

A Colorado Department of Education news release estimated about 1,800 schools will participate across the United States, giving a kick start to May, which is National Bike Month.

Students in Weld County who participate will be greeted with balloons, music, snacks and prizes.

"Biking to school is great for kids," said Carlee Rosen, director of community health development at the North Colorado Health Alliance in a news release. "The exercise wakes kids up, stimulates feel-good chemicals in the brain, and gets them ready for a full day of learning."