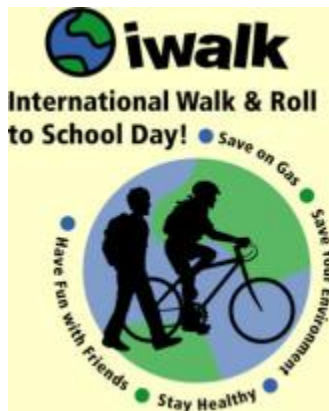


Hopkins Hill School to celebrate International Walk to School Day on October 6, 2011

The school is among dozens in Rhode Island to celebrate the cause this week.

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[Hopkins Hill School](#) will be joining schools from around the world to celebrate [International Walk to School Day](#) this week. The day is mainly celebrated on October 5, but due to classroom schedules, Hopkins Hill will be walking to school on Thursday, October 6.

Approximately 150 Hopkins Hill students will be walking and rolling to school Thursday along with parents, teachers and community leaders. The [Hopkins Hill Fire Department](#) and [Coventry Police](#) will be escorting the children.

The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the students walking from the corners of Hopkins Hill Road and Johnson Blvd. as well as from Arnold Road and Johnson's Blvd. Walkers [and bicyclists] will arrive at the school at 8:45 am.

In the U.S., International Walk to School Day is expected to be celebrated at over 3,500 events at participating schools throughout the week. Walkers from the U.S. will join children and adults in 40 countries around the world.

Walk to School events work to create safer routes for walking and bicycling and emphasize the importance of issues such as increasing physical activity among children, pedestrian safety, traffic congestion, concern for the environment and building connections between families, schools and the broader community.



The event is being organized by The PTA, Physical Education teacher Mr. Hitte and School Nurse Mrs. Kowal.

For additional information, please visit these Web sites:

- International Walk to School in the USA: www.walktoschool.org
- National Center for Safe Routes to School: www.saferoutesinfo.org
- International Walk to School: www.iwalktoschool.org