# Sylvia Mendez Elementary

**Berkeley Unified School District** 



## **School Profile**

Type: Elementary

Enrollment: 412

Charter School: No

Enrolled in Access Safe Routes Program: No

Most Recent School Safety Assessment Date: 2018\*

## **Demographics**

Title One School: No

71% of school population identifies as non-white or Hispanic

30% of students qualify for free/reduced-price meals

### **2021-2022 Activities**

- Pedestrian Rodeo
- International Walk and Roll to School Day
- Bike Train Events

### **2020-2021 Activities**

- Bicycle Rodeo
- Safe Routes Assembly

### 2019-2020 Activities

- Bike Train
- International Walk and Roll to School Day

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\*To view completed School Safety Assessments, visit https://alamedacountysr2s.org/our-program/school-safety-assessments

Enrollment: California Department of Education. Enrollment by School 2021.

School Champions: SR2S Site Coordinator School Evaluation.

Title One: Reflects program eligibility based on the federal threshold of 40% of students who qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program.

Non-white/Hispanic: California Department of Education. Enrollment by School 2021. Free/Reduced-Price Meals: California Department of Education. Unduplicated Student Poverty-FRPM Data 2019-20.

Historic Mode Split and Changes in Travel Behavior: 2021-22 Student Hand Tallies Parent/Caregiver Feedback: 2020-21 Parent/Caregiver Survey







## **Historic Mode Split**



Note: No hand tally data was collected during the 2019-20 or 2020-21 school years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Drive Alone: Students riding in cars only with those in their own household
- Shared Modes: Carpooling, taking the school bus, city bus, or BART
- Active Modes: Walking, biking, skateboarding, and other physically active modes

## **Changes in Travel Behavior**

• Data not available

## **Parent/Caregiver Feedback**

The spring 2021 Parent/Caregiver survey asked Alameda County families about the following topics. These results represent the entire school district, as some schools had lower response rates.

### Top Reasons to Walk or Bike

- Walking and biking encourage an active, healthy lifestyle (51%)
- Driving causes air pollution and hurts the environment (20%)
- None of the above not interested in walking and biking (7%)
- Walking and biking is the most affordable option (6%)

# Why Parents Walked or Biked During the Pandemic

- To get outdoor time / fresh air (22%)
- For exercise or to release energy (21%)
- For fun or recreation (21%)
- To run errands or get to an important destination (15%)

## Barriers to Walking/Biking to School

- Poor driving behavior on streets near school (18%)
- Bad weather (16%)
- Speeding cars (15%)
- Takes too long to walk or bike to school (9%)