

## School travel plans (STP)

School travel plans help to improve the health and well-being of pupils and staff, and reduce pollution and congestion around schools, as well as saving money for parents and the school community.

## STARS accreditation

STARS (sustainable travel, active, responsible, safe) is Transport for London's (TfL) school travel plan accreditation scheme for London schools and nurseries. STARS inspires young Londoners to travel to school sustainably, actively, responsibly and safely by championing walking, scooting and cycling.

- Unlock additional funding grants and school activities from TfL and Ealing Council
- Provide evidence for Ofsted of promoting and achieving active travel
- Count towards healthy schools silver and gold awards
- Allow Ealing Council to work strategically to address traffic issues around your school
- Comply with planning conditions for schools (where applicable)
- Provide networking opportunities with other schools and invitations to award events.

The STARS accreditation comes as bronze, silver and gold awards and provides an on-line travel plan. The travel plan will also help towards keeping pupils safe, improving punctuality and attendance, reducing child obesity and improving health and well-being. Schools can include sustainability within the curriculum, providing a supportive and caring school environment.

To support school staff in the development of their travel plans, STARS surgeries will be available throughout the year and will be advertised through gatekeeping.

All Ealing schools have been set up on the [STARS website](#). The STARS champion can register to access their school's profile.

[List of STARS accreditation](#) (September 2018)

## Funding for school travel activities

Small grants of between £50 and £500, are available to schools that develop and maintain their STARS accreditation. There are 3 levels of reward depending on the schools STARS status, with a different amount for each level.

Applications are invited in the autumn term, with approved funds being paid directly to the school.

## Planning applications

Planning applications for school expansions or rebuilding usually require an up to date travel plan which clearly sets out how the school will promote safe and sustainable travel to the school site and what measures will be taken to mitigate against the possible increased levels of car trips/congestion that the expansion might cause.

Developers and schools must review the STP and the planning process guidance and use the interim STP template to produce the travel plan for their planning application available on the [Ealing Council website](#). For more information contact the school travel team [sta@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:sta@ealing.gov.uk).

## Resources

[STARS reward funding \(pdf\)](#)

Information and application form for 2019/20 STARS reward scheme, for accreditation confirmed in August 2019.

[School events related to sustainable travel from September 2018 to July 2019](#)

View calendar of school events related to sustainable travel.

[Ealing's junior travel ambassador \(JTA\) annual programme](#)

Programme for 2018/19.

[Smoothie bike \(pdf\)](#)

Schools can borrow a smoothie bike! Complete the [form to make a booking request](#).

[Tackling parent parking issues](#)

Organising a perfect parking campaign.

[Pupil Traffic Wardens Scheme](#)

Guidance for running a Pupil Traffic Wardens scheme

[Terri the Tiger \(pdf\)](#)

Schools can hire Terri the Tiger, our sustainable travel mascot! Contact [sta@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:sta@ealing.gov.uk) for more information and to book.

[Walking and cycling initiatives](#)

Walk and cycle to school initiatives and resources.

[Useful links](#)

Websites and resources to help with your STP.

## Contact us

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