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Safe Routes to School Project to Begin in Leavenworth County

On Friday, March 15, a Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project will begin in Leavenworth County. Project work includes new and replacement sidewalks, modifying sidewalks to meet ADA standards, new: curb and gutter, crosswalks and signing, and installation of fence and bicycle racks. Project improvements will occur at the following schools: David Brewer Elementary, Earl M. Lawson Elementary, Henry Leavenworth Elementary, Anthony Elementary, and West Intermediate School. Work will take place during daylight hours (7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

There will only be occasional lane and shoulder closures. The majority of the project work will take place off the roadway, so drivers should have minimal delays throughout the project duration. Traffic will be directed through the project work zones via signage and cones. Updated daily traffic information for this project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

Amino Brothers (Kansas City, KS) is the primary contractor on this $248,219 Safe Routes to School project. The project is scheduled to be completed by mid-May 2013, weather permitting.

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” when approaching and driving through the project work zone.
At its heart, the SRTS Program empowers communities to make walking and bicycling to school a safe and routine activity once again. SRTS makes funding available for a wide variety of programs and projects, from building safer street crossings to establishing programs that encourage children and their parents to walk and bicycle safely to school.

For more information on this project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager at (785) 640-9340, or Kevin Kellerman, Construction Manager, Bonner Springs at (913) 721-2754. (KDOT Project #52 U-2120-02)

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