

2024–2025

Peel School Bicycle Parking Program

Peel Region’s School Bicycle Parking Program provides safe and secure bicycle parking to encourage students to bike to and from school more often. Since 2015, more than 300 bike racks have been installed at more than 150 schools in Peel Region through the program.

Schools located in Peel Region (Brampton, Caledon, or Mississauga) can apply for a maximum of four bike racks, each with a capacity for securing eight bicycles. Funding is only available for a limited number of bike racks each year, so applications from schools will be prioritized for new bike racks based on the following criteria:

- Demonstrated bicycle parking demand,
- Participation in programming related to health, sustainability, and/or active transportation.

Peel Region will cover the cost of the bike racks ONLY. Installation on either existing concrete, or asphalt surfaces at schools must be covered by the school board.

Application procedure and conditions

1. Completed applications should be sent via email to walkandroll@peelregion.ca
2. Funding is only available for a limited number of bicycle racks each year, so schools who apply for the School Bicycle Parking Program will not be guaranteed the number of bike racks they request, and may not receive any racks. Each school can receive a maximum of four bike racks per applications.
3. Schools must commit to registering for Bike to School Week 2025 to be eligible to receive bike racks as part of this program. Visit Bike Month - Transportation Education - Region of Peel (peelregion.ca) to register for more information. (Registration will open in Spring 2025)
4. Selection Criteria: Completed applications will be reviewed and prioritized based on the following criteria:
 - Demonstrated need for safe and secure bicycle parking, based on the current number of bicycle parking spaces relative to school population, quality and usage of existing bicycle parking facilities, as well as other indication (i.e., photos) provided in application; and
 - Involvement education and outreach programming related to physical activity, sustainability, or active transportation, such as School Travel Planning, Bike to School Week, Walk to School Month, EcoSchools, or other presentations, training, or programs.
5. Site location: Schools applying to the program are asked to identify a preferred location for the bike racks. All proposed locations will be subject to a site analysis involving staff from the relevant school board, school, and/or Peel Region and its' vendor. The minimum site dimensions for each bicycle rack are 4.0m x 1.8m, to give racks a minimum of 0.6m of space away from walls, walkways, or other objects or right-of-ways. In order to optimize their usage and facilitate installation, it is recommended that applicants try to identify locations that are:
 - near the main entrance or other high-traffic entrance to the school
 - in a highly visible location and/or are under surveillance
 - weather protected
 - on a concrete surface
6. Peel Region will ONLY pay for the cost and delivery of each bike rack for successful applicants. The school is responsible for all the installation costs. Any costs associated to install concrete or asphalt surfaces are to be covered by the school.
7. Bicycle parking facilities provided by the Peel Region must not be moved or removed except for on-site maintenance purposes (e.g., snow clearance) or with written permission from Peel Region.
8. The school and/or school board will be responsible for keeping the bicycle parking facilities clear of snow and leaves.
9. Participating schools are expected to collect Pre and Post checks using the form included in the application package.
10. Peel Region accepts no liability for the operation, destruction, or theft of the bicycle racks.

Application form

School name:	
School address:	
School telephone number:	
Total School population:	
Non-bused student population:	
School details:	Elementary K-8 Middle 6-8 Secondary 9-12
School board:	DPCDSB PDSB Other
Staff Lead Contact:	
School Principal:	
Quantity of bike racks requested: Note: each rack accommodates 8 bicycles	
In good weather, approximately how many students and staff bike to school regularly?	
Describe your school's past involvement in initiatives related to active transportation, sustainability, health, or physical activity: Include details about your school's participation in programs such as Bike to School Week, EcoSchools, the Healthy Pledge Program, Walk to School programming, or other relevant commitments or learning initiatives.	

Describe your school's need for additional bike racks:

Include details about why your school requires additional bike racks, including how often your current bike racks are full, whether bikes are often parked on fences/trees/poles, or trends that indicate increasing cycling trips by your students. Schools are encouraged to include photographs or other information that demonstrates their school's need for bicycle parking as part of their application.

Applicants are encouraged to supplement this form with additional photographs or other information that demonstrates their school's need for bicycle parking facilities, or past commitment to active school travel and related programming.

Please email completed applications to walkandroll@peelregion.ca