



Twenty-one local schools named “Safe Kids Schools” in 2008

Safe Kids Upstate, led by Greenville Hospital System Children’s Hospital, has named twenty-one local elementary schools from Greenville and Pickens Counties, “2008 Safe Kids Schools.” 2008 marks the third year of this competition hosted by Safe Kids Upstate. To be considered a Safe Kids School, each elementary school had to successfully complete five of the eleven safety initiatives that Safe Kids Upstate offers. The nine safety initiatives are:

- Participation in the School Patrol Program
- Participation in a Bike Safety Presentation
- A Visit from Buddy’s Safety House to learn about Home Safety
- Organization of a PTA Meeting featuring safety topics
- Participation in an Internet Safety presentation
- Participation in a Safety Bulletin Board or Website.
- Observation of “Safe Kids Week”
- Participation in “Caught Being Safe” Coupon Program
- Participation in the South Carolina Safe Kids Calendar Program
- Participation in “Walk this Way” Pedestrian Safety & Fitness Program
- Participation in a Fire Safety Program

In honor of this accomplishment, Safe Kids Upstate is inviting the Principals and Safety Patrol Leaders from each school to a Celebration Breakfast on May 9, 2008 from 8:00 AM—9:30 AM at the Poinsett Club. Schools will be awarded with a plaque at the event and a banner to display at their school. The following schools are this year’s winners: *A.R. Lewis Elementary; Brook Glenn Elementary; Chandler Creek Elementary; Crestview Elementary; Duncan Chapel Elementary; East End Elementary; Forest Acres Elementary; Gateway Elementary; Greenbrier Elementary; Grove Elementary; Hollis Elementary; Holly Springs Elementary; Mitchell Road Elementary; Mountain View Elementary; Oakview Elementary; Simpsonville Elementary; Six Mile Elementary; Summit Drive; Taylors Elementary; Thomas E. Kerns Elementary; West End Elementary*

Congratulations to the winners!

Safe Kids Upstate, led by the Greenville Hospital System Children's Hospital, is one of more than 300 coalitions affiliated with Safe Kids Worldwide. The mission of Safe Kids Worldwide is to prevent accidental childhood injury, a leading killer of children 14 and under. Safe Kids Upstate consists of more than 70 community partners in Greenville, Pickens, and Oconee counties who join together to fight unintentional injuries. These partners include law enforcement officers, firefighters and paramedics, medical healthcare professionals, educators, business leaders, community service professionals, and many others. For more information on the 2008 Safe Kids Schools or on other Safe Kids Upstate programs, please call 864-454-1100 or visit www.safekidsupstate.org.

Led by Greenville Hospital System Children’s Hospital