

Multimodal Access Opportunity Scores

This score is based on the physical assets and barriers that determine each school or site's potential for increased walking, bicycling, carpooling and bus/transit use. Current travel modes (how people are accessing the school now) are not a factor in the score.



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Type of Site: Elementary School

<u>Grade Levels:</u> Pre-K – 5

Summary Conditions

Arlington Traditional School (ATS) is bordered to the north by North Fairfax Drive, to the east by George Mason Drive, south by Wilson Boulevard, and to the west by N Edison Street. In 2013, Arlington Traditional School had 503 students and 68 staff. Arlington Traditional School is a countywide school; students from throughout Arlington attend ATS.

Neighborhood Context

The school is located in a neighborhood with mostly single-family residential homes with yards, but the grid is incomplete and many streets dead-end. Interstate 66 runs east/west through the attendance boundary. South of the school Wilson Boulevard features commercial uses including a retail strip abutting the school. To the east of the school is a community park with play fields. North, past I-66, the area continues to be residential until Washington Boulevard. The sidewalk network is not complete, including sidewalk gaps on N Edison Street immediately in front of the school. The majority of neighborhood streets in the area have sidewalks on at least one side of the street.

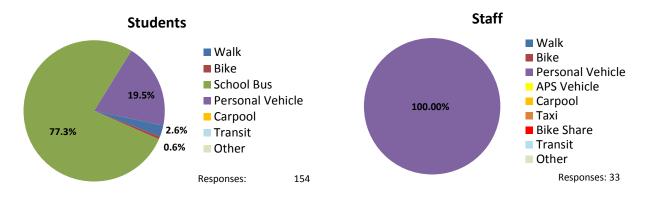
Transportation Assets

Arlington Traditional School is .8 miles from the Ballston Metrorail Station. Five bus lines run along Wilson Boulevard and George Mason Drive and there is a Capital Bikeshare station at the corner of George Mason Drive and Wilson Boulevard (across the street from the school).

There are bike lanes and share-the-road markings (sharrows) on Wilson Boulevard and George Mason Drive. The neighborhoods have low traffic volumes and appear to be comfortable for bikes and pedestrians. An off-street trail, The Bluemont Junction Trail, goes to the nearby intersection of George Mason Drive and Wilson Boulevard (where the Bikeshare station is located). The off-street trail connects to a number of cul-de-sac streets in neighborhoods to the southwest of the school. The intersection at George Mason Drive and Wilson Boulevard is large but has marked crosswalks and crossing signals. Bluemont Junction Trail users cross at this intersection, resulting in a relatively high level of bicycle and pedestrian traffic in this area.

Physical Barriers

The grade-separated crossing of George Mason Drive over I-66 has narrow sidewalks and there is no barrier between pedestrians and vehicles, which travel fairly quickly over the bridge. In general, the school is surrounded to the north, east and south by large roads with heavy traffic, creating access issues particularly for students.



Existing Travel Modes (from 2013 School Surveys)