



Brampton Safety Council Site Inspection Report

Date: June 11, 2024,

Ward: 9

School/Location: Ridgeview Public School, 25 Brenda Avenue, Brampton

Principal: Neela Zim

Time(s): 2.35 p.m.

Phone: 905-451-6332

Weather: very hot and humid

Requested By: Ms. Hawkins, Vice-Principal

Nature of Problem: Review Traffic Safety Concerns/Parking Issues and Traffic congestion in front of school

Observers Present: A.M.: Don Harberer, Member; Will Davies, Trustee, Peel District School Board; Margaret Laramore, Coordinator, Crossing Guards
P.M.: Charles Gonsalves, Member; Janice Gordon, Member; Margaret Laramore Coordinator, Crossing Guards

Observations:

1. Ridgeview Public School is located on Brenda Avenue between Harold Street and Kingsview Boulevard and the speed limit on Brenda Avenue is 40 km/hr.

2. The school is serviced by 5 large buses and 5 small buses. Sufficient staff was present to escort the children in a timely manner.

3. The posted parking restrictions on Brenda Avenue are as follows: -
 - East side of Brenda Avenue indicates 'No stopping, 8-5 Mon-Fri' from Kingsview Blvd to Harold Street.
 - West side of Brenda Avenue, a new layby was installed along the school frontage and is signed 'Bus Loading Zone with 'No Parking' restrictions on either side of the layby

4. The school parking is located on the south side of the school and is blocked by a gate that is opened when school starts or when the buses leave.

5. During the afternoon inspection, many vehicles were seen parking on the east side of Brenda Avenue in the 'No Stopping' zone as well as in the 'No Parking' zone on the west side of Brenda Avenue. This created traffic congestion, which increased as students J-walked across Brenda Avenue to get to vehicles.

Recommendations:

1. That the Site Inspection report for Ridgeview Public School be received;

2. That in an effort to encourage Active Transportation to and from school, the principal contact their designated Peel Health Nurse to participate in the School Travel Plan Program in Peel;

3. That Peel Regional Police be requested to enforce the “No U-Turn” driving restrictions on Brenda Avenue; and

4. That the Manager of Enforcement and By-law Services be requested to arrange for the enforcement of parking restrictions on Brenda Avenue during school arrival and dismissal times.
