

## **Brampton Safety Council Site Inspection Report**

Date: October 23, 2024 Ward 2

School/Location: Burnt Elm Public School, 85 Burnt Elm Drive

**Principal:** April Zeleny **Time(s):** 7:50 a.m. 2:20 p.m.

**Phone:** 905-890-1010 **Weather:** morning sunny / afternoon windy

Requested By: School administration

Nature of Problem: Review Parking Issues and Traffic Congestion on School Street

**Observers Present:** A.M. Will Davies, School Trustee; Don Haberer, Citizen Member; Elsetia Rhudd and Julie Ellis, School Crossing Guard Coordinators; P.M. Janice Gordon, Citizen Member; Will Davies, School Trustee; Julie Ellis and Elsetia Rhudd, School Crossing Guard Coordinators

## **Observations**

- 1. Burnt Elm Public School is located on the North side of Burnt Elm Drive, the student population is currently 807 students. Six large and five small school buses provide service to the school.
- 2. Burnt Elm Drive has a posted speed limit of 40km/hr. School Zone signs, and 'No Stopping' signs are positioned on the south side; and 'No Parking' signs are positioned on the east and west sides of the school driveway entrance into the school.
- 3. During the morning observation, several vehicles were observed parking in the 'No Parking' and 'No Stopping' zones. This obstructed traffic flow causing congestion at times. The school parking lot was blocked with pylons and two teachers removed them when the school buses arrived. School staff also crossed pedestrians across the Kiss and Ride entrance/exit as they commute from the sidewalk/street area to the school.

- 4. During the afternoon inspection, many vehicles parked on both sides of Burnt Elm Drive, in the 'No stopping' and 'No parking' zones, which caused a bit of congestion, narrowing street access for the larger buses accessing the school parking lot.
- 5. Jaywalking was observed between 2:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., coinciding with the school's dismissal period.

## **Recommendations:**

- 1. That the site inspection report Burnt Elm Public School, be received;
- 2. That the Manager of Enforcement and By-law Services be requested to arrange for increased patrols during the school start and dismissal times to enforce parking regulations; and,
- 3. That the principal continue to educate the school community and students on safety procedures in and around the school at start and dismissal times.