



Brampton Safety Council Site Inspection Report

Date: October 16, 2024 - Ward:9

School/Location: Sunny View Middle School, 30 Chapparral Drive,

Principal: Melissa Francis

Time(s): 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Phone: 905-789-1707

Weather: Dry and sunny morning and afternoon windy

Requested By: Kristen Bynoe Vice Principal, Sunny View Middle School

Nature of Problem: Traffic Congestion on School Street and Crossing Guard Inquiry

Observers Present: A.M.: Mohan Bala, Member; Don Haberer, Member; P.M.: Janice Gordon, Member; Violet Skirten, Crossing Guard Supervisor; Rebecca Rozario, Dufferin Peel Catholic District School

Observations:

1. Sunny View Middle School is located on the east side of Chapparral Drive. The student population is currently 616 pupils. There are 3 small buses and 2 large buses that service the school.
 2. Chapparral Drive has a posted speed of 40km/hr. There are "no stopping" signs posted on both sides of the road. Signs are located in the vicinity of the school.
 3. During the afternoon inspection, many vehicles were seen parking on the East side of Chapparral Drive in the "No Stopping" zone as well as in the "No Parking" zone on the West side of Chapparral Drive. This created traffic congestion, which increased as students J-walked across Chapparral Drive to get to their vehicles.
 4. Jaywalking was primarily observed between 2:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., coinciding with the school's dismissal period.
 5. A huge number students were observed crossing the street without using designated crosswalks.
 6. The traffic on Chapparral Drive was moderate to heavy during this time, with both vehicles and school buses passing by. The jaywalking increased the risk of accidents as students crossed unsafely between moving vehicles.
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Recommendations:

1. That the Site Inspection report Sunny View Middle School, be received;

2. That the principal be requested to implement a safety awareness campaign within the school to educate students and parents about the dangers of jaywalking and the importance of using crosswalks; and,

3. That the Manager of Transportation Right-of-Way & Safety be requested to consider adding speed bumps or pedestrian signals in front of the school to slow traffic and improve safety which would prevent potential accidents.
