

Brampton School Traffic Safety Council Site Inspection Report March 20, 2025 - Ward:10

School/Location: Sir Isaac Brock Public School, 45 Meltwater Crescent

Principal: Mala Takhar **Time(s):** 8:30 a.m. & 3:10 p.m.

Phone: 905-791-6025 **Weather:** p.m. Clear and cool

a.m. Rainy and cool

Requested By: Principal

Nature of Problem: To review traffic congestion at Riseborough Drive and Oshawa Street and

Crossing Guard inquiry, if gates are open on Riseborough Drive

Observers Present: Charles Gonsalves, Citizen Member, Co-Chair (a.m.); Don Harberer, Citizen Member (p.m.); Trustee Will Davies, Peel District School Board (a.m./p.m.); Violet Skirten, Crossing Guard Supervisor (a.m./p.m.); Kim Bernard, Coordinator, Crossing Guards (a.m./p.m.) Ana Carvalho, Coordinator, Crossing Guards (a.m./p.m.)

Observations:

- 1. Sir Isaac Brock Public School is located on the north side of Meltwater Crescent at the intersection of Long Branch Trail. The rear of the school is located on Riseborough Drive and there is a fence the length of the property with two gates.
- 2. The school has approximately 600 students, ranging from kindergarten to Grade 8. Most of the students are not eligible for bussing and they walk or receive a ride to and from school.
- 3. On Meltwater Crescent in front of the school area and crossing ahead signs are posted, and the posted speed limit is 40 km/h. A crossing guard is located at the intersection of Meltwater Crescent and Long Branch Trail. There are currently no signs installed restricting parking on Meltwater Crescent.
- 4. The entrance/exit driveway is located near the east end of the school property. The driveway leads to the Kiss and Ride area and the bus loading/unloading area. The bus lane was coned off with staff allowing buses to enter the driveway. The pavement markings are faint in the Kiss and Ride area and there was no "Kiss and Ride" signage at entrance.
- 5. At the back of the school, on Riseborough Drive, there is a fence with two gates, east and west of Oshawa Drive that are currently closed. Riseborough Drive is designated a Community Safety zone and there is an automated speed camera in the vicinity of the school. School area signs and crossing ahead signs are posted on Riseborough Drive. On the north side of

Riseborough Drive, signage indicating "No Stopping, 8-9, 3-4, Monday to Friday" and "No Parking" corner restrictions. A crossing guard is located at the intersection of Riseborough Drive and Meltwater Crescent / Drummondville Drive, which is approximately 60 m from the westerly gate of the school.

- 6. During the site inspections, students utilized the crossing guards and no students crossed at Riseborough Drive due to the closure of the gates.
- 7. During the site inspections, school staff wearing vests assisted on school property in the Kiss and Ride and bus areas.
- 8. The Kiss and Ride area was monitored by a staff member, who assisted and asked drivers to move forward. Drivers stopped and double parked to drop off children and utilized the drop off lane and in the through lane. Some drivers also parked in the parking lot and allowed students to walk across the Kiss and Ride lanes.
- In the evening by 3:00 p.m., the parking lot was full of vehicles, and in addition vehicles parked on both sides of the roadway on Meltwater Crescent. Drivers also parked close to the school crosswalk on Meltwater Crescent and Longbranch Trail.

Recommendations:

- 1. That the site inspection report for Sir Isaac Brock Public School be received;
- 2. That an adult crossing guard is not warranted at the intersection of Riseborough Drive and Oshawa Street as there is an existing crossing guard at the intersection of Riseborough Drive and Meltwater Crescent / Drummondville Drive;
- 3. That the principal be requested to:
 - Educate the school population on the correct way to utilize a "Kiss and Ride"
 - Arrange for the installation of "Kiss and Ride" signage at the entrance to the Kiss and Ride area
 - Consider allowing access only on Riseborough Drive at the westerly end if gates are to be opened to allow access. This gate is 60 m from an All-Way Stop and the crossing guard is positioned at Riseborough Drive and Meltwater Crescent / Drummondville Drive intersection
 - Consider sending information to the school population on safety measures and reminding them to obey the "No Stopping/No Parking" signage in the vicinity of the school
- 4. That the Manager of Parking Enforcement arrange for the enforcement of "No Stopping / No Parking" signage on Riseborough Drive at the rear of the school, if and when the westerly gate is opened; and,
- 5. That the Manager of Traffic Operations and Parking arrange for the installation of "No Stopping" signage on either side of the school crossing at Meltwater Crescent and Longbranch Trail.