

Brampton High Schools Routes using *RidewithGPS* app

Encouraging high school students and their families
to choose cycling or walking rather than a car
for school commuting

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Modes of transportation for school commuting:

- School bus
- Public transport
- Walking
- Cycling
- Car rides
- Privately hired buses (students in Regional Programs)
- Taxi or Uber rides

Advantages of cycling or walking to school

- getting to know their neighbourhood better,
- physical and mental health improves when a young person engages in an outdoor activity on a regular basis,
- cycling increases teenagers' independence in their own communities, they don't have to rely on adults to drive them,
- cycling creates situations in which teenagers develop the sense of being responsible for their own safety,
- learning the rules of the road in an active way,
- socializing with their peers if they go in pairs or small groups

School bus eligibility for students who live within Central Peel S.S. boundaries
(quoted from <https://centralpeel.peelschools.org/transportation> (July 24,2025))

Active and Sustainable School Transportation Charter

Peel District School Board (PDSB) supports Active and Sustainable School Transportation (ASST) to promote physical activity, reduce congestion, improve air quality, and enhance community safety. In June 2024, PDSB signed an ASST Charter, reinforcing its commitment to providing support, resources, and training for sustainable transportation.

Transportation eligibility distances

Students residing within their schools attendance boundary and living in excess of the following distance criteria from their school are eligible for transportation:

- Kindergarten to grade 1 students: 1.0 km
- Grades 2 to 4 students: 1.6 km
- Grades 5 to 8 students: 2.0 km
- Grades 9 to 12 students: 3.8 km

The eligibility distances measured are the shortest, appropriate walking route along sidewalks, roadways and pedestrian walkways, from school property line to home property line. To determine whether or not your child is eligible for transportation, visit the Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) website www.stopr.ca, click on "*Am I Eligible for Transportation*" and enter your address details.

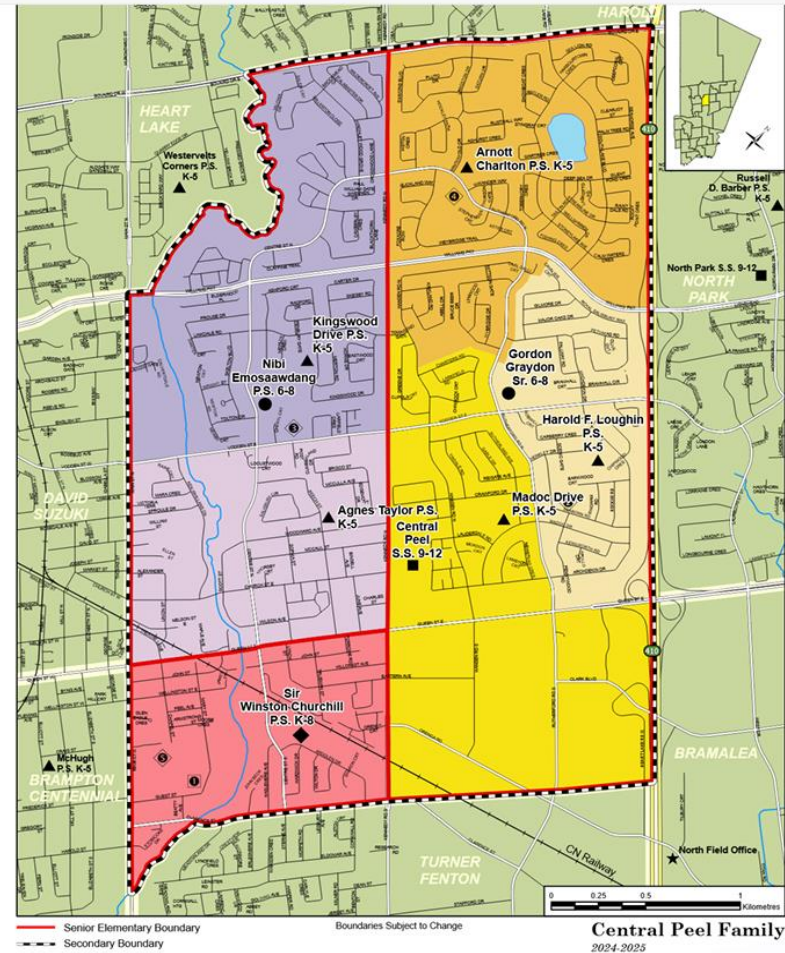
3.8 km school bus eligibility means that:

Vast majority of students who live within school boundaries are not eligible for school bus transportation

I used Central Peel Secondary School as a sample for this presentation

Central Peel S.S. boundaries

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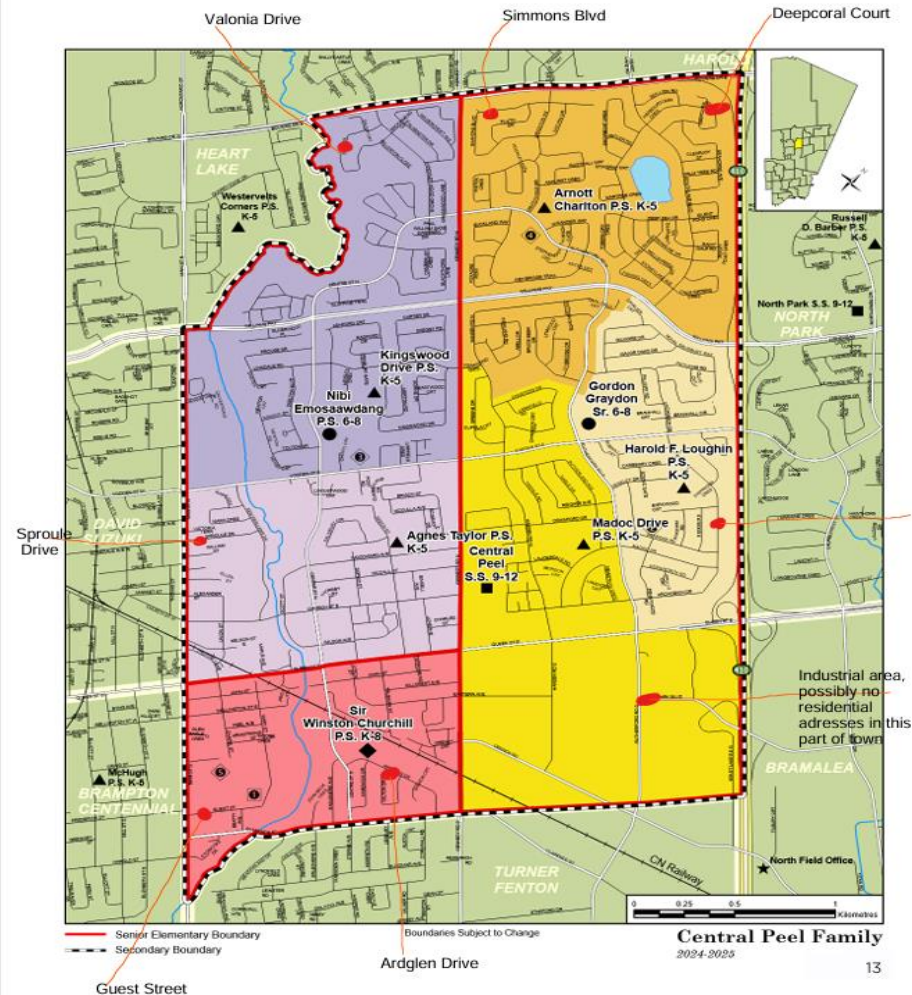


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Central Peel S.S. marked with the furthest addresses of its boundaries

Central Peel S.S. boundaries farthest addresses.pdf

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Not eligible for school bus, example 1

- STOPR website **Guest Street** address
(farthest South East part of the school boundary)

School bus eligibility for Guest Street address.pdf

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Street Number: 2

Street Name: GUEST ST

Municipality: BRAMPTON

District: Peel District School Board

Grade: Grade 9

Program: --Select--

New Search Submit

School

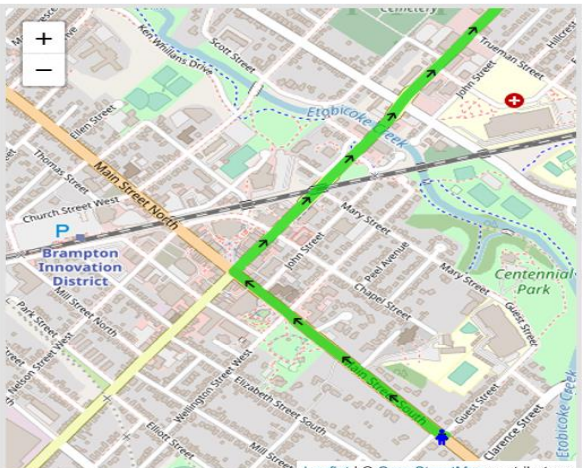
CENTRAL PEEL SS

You are NOT eligible for transportation

[Click here for more information on Transportation Eligibility](#)

Walking Directions are as follows

Start At GUEST ST
Turn right onto MAIN ST S
Turn right onto QUEEN ST E
Turn left onto KENNEDY RD N
Arrival at KENNEDY RD N



Not eligible for school bus, example 2

- STOPR website **Deepcoral Court** address (farthest North West area of the school boundary)

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businfo.stopr.ca/TransportationEligibility

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Street Number
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Street Name
DEEPCORAL CRT

Municipality
BRAMPTON

District
Peel District School Board

Grade
Grade 10

Program
--Select--

New Search Submit

School
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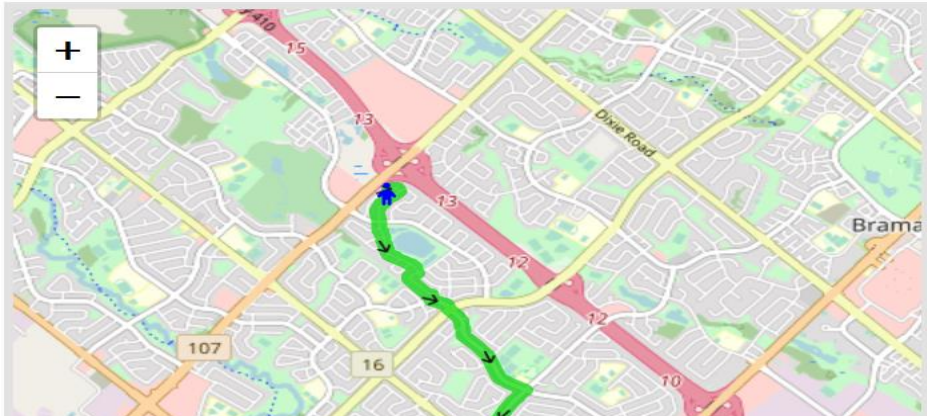
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Walking Directions are as follows

Start At DEEPCORAL CRT

Turn right onto HARBOURTOWN CRES

A map of a residential area in Brampton, Ontario. A green line with arrows indicates a walking route starting from Deepcoral Court and turning right onto Harbourtown Cres. The map shows various streets, including Dixie Road and Harwood Ave, and landmarks like a park and a school. A blue pin marks the starting point on Deepcoral Court.

Walking routes recommended by STOPR

- Please note that the example of the “walking route” for the Guest Street address (slide 5) looks more like a driving route; it directs a students to walk along major busy roads Main, Quenn, and Kennedy.

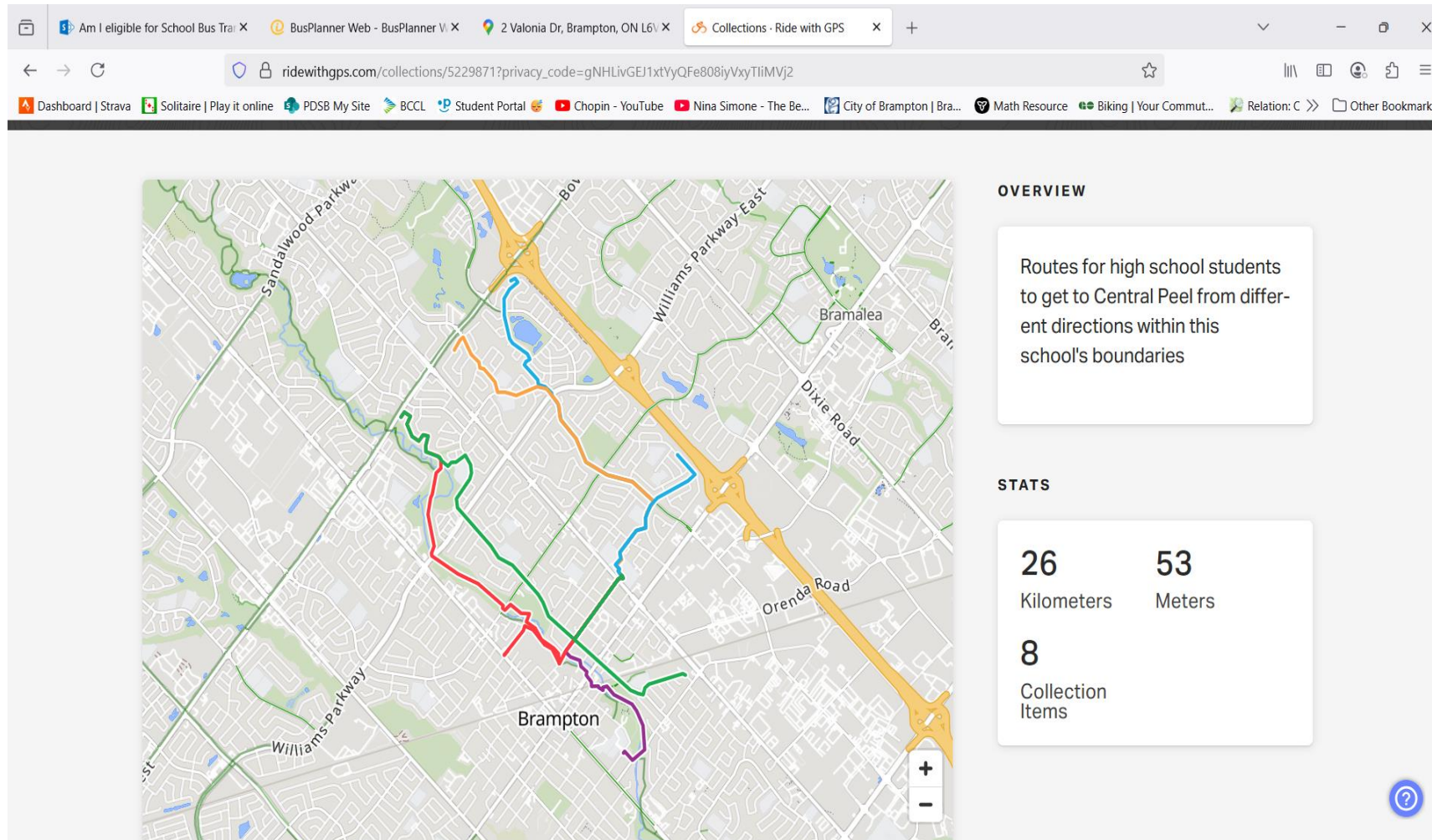
Cycling route would take them through much more friendly active transportation route.

- Similarly, the recommended walking route from Ardglen Drive, the most Southern part of the school boundary, is to walk on Kennedy Road, which is a very busy street.

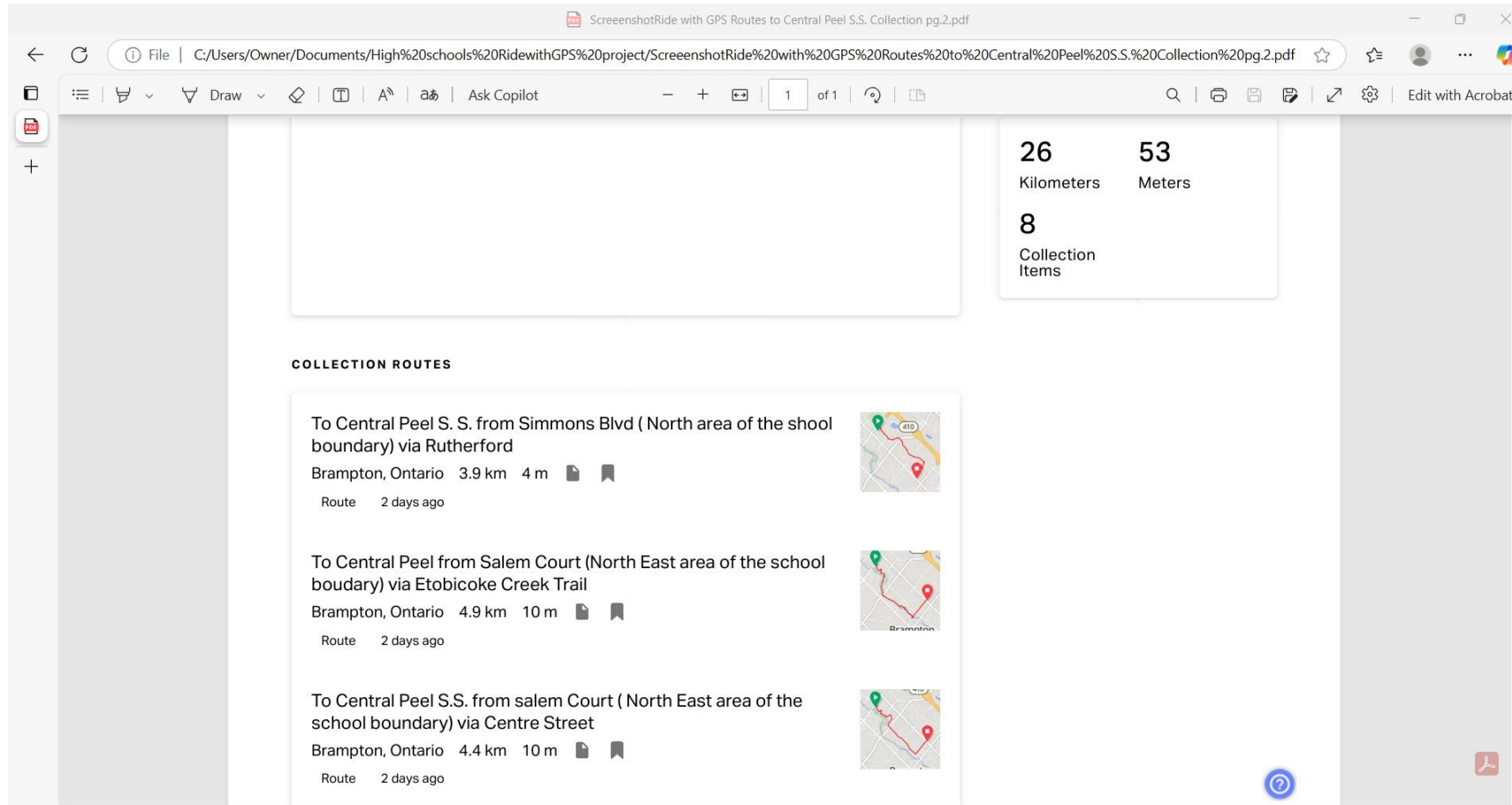
My proposal is to encourage high school students to cycle or walk to school using the City of Brampton RideWithGPS account

- Create a collection of high school routes between the farthest addresses of the school boundaries to the school location.
- Each route should be tested by a volunteer experienced cyclist.
- Communicate and popularize the City RideWithGPS account among the school communities through a variety of outreach activities.
- If possible, track the “traffic” on these routes to follow up on their usefulness.

Sample of the Central Peel S.S. Collection on RidewithGPS , title page



Sample of the Central Peel S.S. Collection on RidewithGPS, list of routes



Sample of the Central Peel S.S. Collection on RidewithGPS, list of routes, cont.

Ride with GPS Routes to Central Peel S.S. Collection pg.3.pdf

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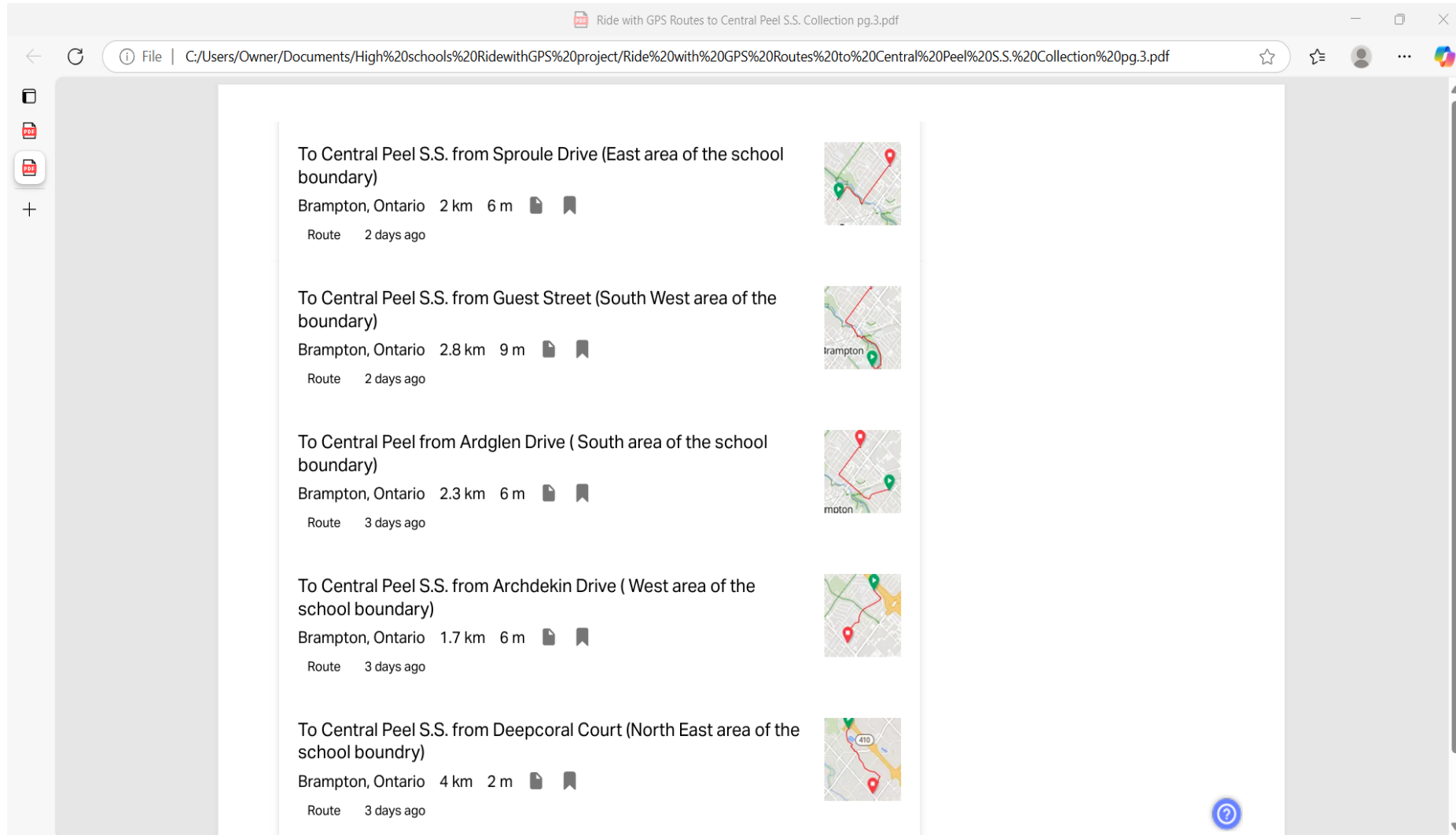
To Central Peel S.S. from Sproule Drive (East area of the school boundary)
Brampton, Ontario 2 km 6 m
Route 2 days ago

To Central Peel S.S. from Guest Street (South West area of the boundary)
Brampton, Ontario 2.8 km 9 m
Route 2 days ago

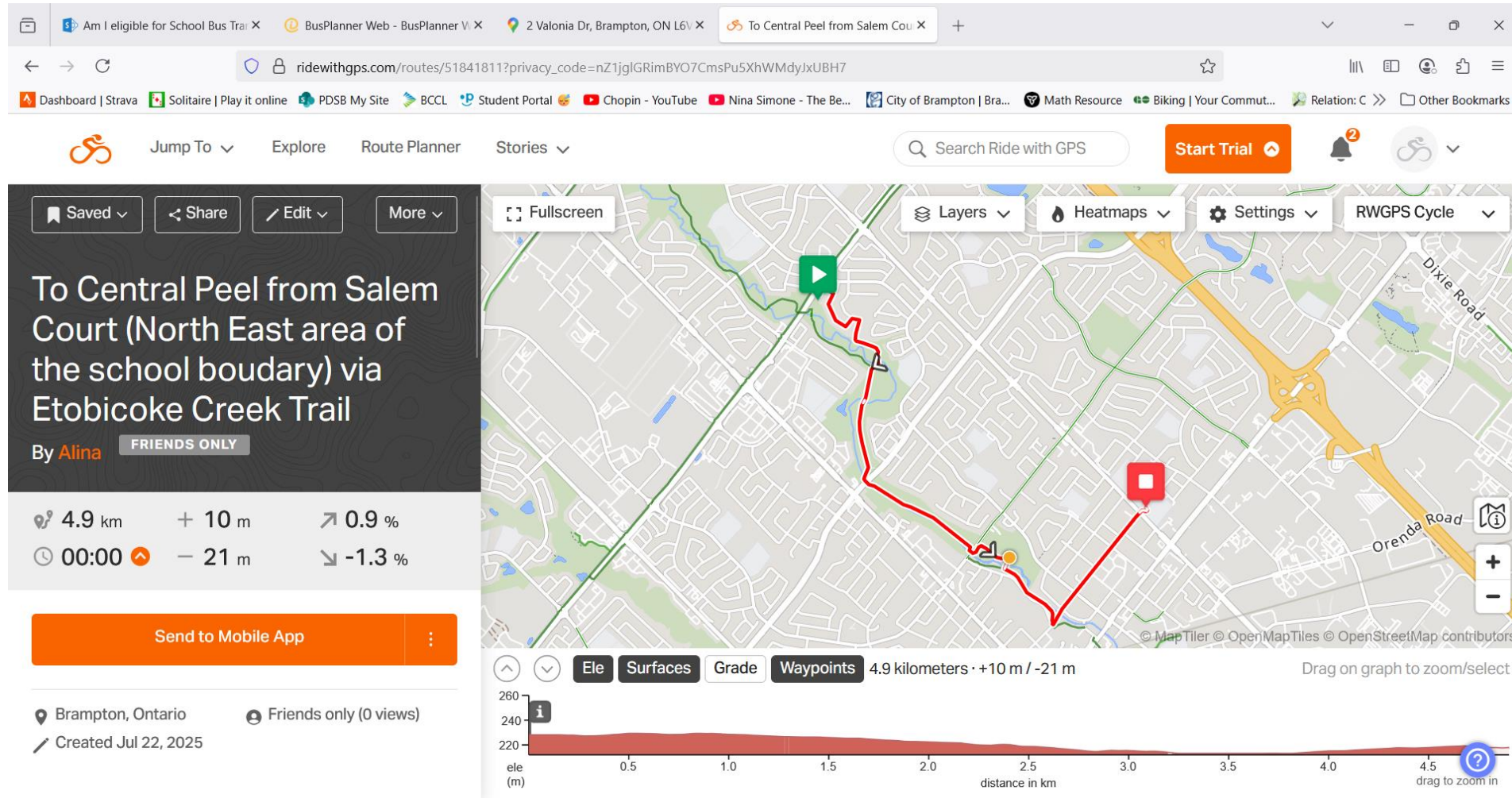
To Central Peel from Ardglen Drive (South area of the school boundary)
Brampton, Ontario 2.3 km 6 m
Route 3 days ago

To Central Peel S.S. from Archdekin Drive (West area of the school boundary)
Brampton, Ontario 1.7 km 6 m
Route 3 days ago

To Central Peel S.S. from Deepcoral Court (North East area of the school boundary)
Brampton, Ontario 4 km 2 m
Route 3 days ago



Sample of the Central Peel S.S. Collection route from Salem Court on RidewithGPS



Approval of this project by the ATAC

- Permission of the City to use their RidewithGPS account
- Volunteers to create and test routes to schools
- Popularizing the app and the routes among high school communities
- Tracking the usage of the routes.