

Brampton Safety Council Site Inspection Report

Date: September 12, 2023 - Ward: 5

School/Location: St. Ursula Catholic School, 11 Dwellers Road

Principal: Jeffery Daly

Time(s): 8:30 a.m. / 3:30 pm.

 Phone:
 905-454-5213 ext. 60203
 Weather: morning rain

Requested By: Rita Davenport, school administrator

Nature of Problem: Kiss and Ride not working effectively before and after school

Observers Present: Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon, Don Harberer (A.M.), Charles Gonsalves, Satvir Dhaliwal, Violet Skirten, Crossing Guard Supervisor (P.M), Margaret Laramore, Team Lead Crossing Guard

Observations:

- 1. The Kiss and Ride is located off Dwellers Road and the bus loading area is located at the front of the school on Fletchers Creek Blvd. There is a driveway that at the front that is one way and leads to the Kiss and Ride and Parking lot. It indicates cars only but the pavement has "Bus Loading Zone" and is designated as a Fire Route. The Fire Route Signs are faded.
- 2. During the morning site inspection there were a few drivers parked on Dwellers Road and the Kiss and Ride ran smoothly. Car parked with hazards on, in front the school, for extended period of time. During the evening site inspection there were drivers parked unattended in the front driveway which is a Fire Route. Drivers started arriving 30 minutes before dismissal time and parked in the Kiss and Ride and on Dwellers
- 3. During the site inspections there were drivers doing a 3 point turn at the edge of the driveway to avoid going into the Kiss and Ride
- 4. During the afternoon site inspection there were a number of students and guardians that walked between vehicles in the Kiss and Ride and walked into the parking lot or on the median at the Kiss and Ride. Most did not walk to the hatched crosswalk.
- 5. In the morning there were staff assisting with the Kiss and Ride. In the afternoon there was a staff member with a vest that was in the area but was not directing drivers.

Recommendations:

- 1. That the Site Inspection report for St. Ursula Catholic 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 the principal arrange for the Bus loading pavement markings to be removed, a stop bar painted at the exit and Fire Route Signs to be replaced;
- 4. That the principal arrange for bylaw enforcement to visit during dismissal time for the Fire Route violations, once the signs are replaced;
- 5. That the principal remind pedestrians to cross at the hatched walkway and not walk between vehicles to get to the parking lot or median at the Kiss and Ride.