



Brampton Safety Council Site Inspection Report

Date: September 29, 2023 - Ward: 5

School/Location: St Joseph Catholic School, 8 Parkway Avenue, Brampton

Principal: Daniel Reidy

Time(s): 8.15 A.M. & 3.15 P.M.

Phone: 905 451 8501

Weather: Clear and Cool

Requested By: Principal

Nature of Problem: Traffic Congestion

Observers Present: Charles Gonsalves, Citizen Member (am); Dominique Damanin-Sturgeon, Citizen Member (am); Don Haberer, Citizen Member (pm); Elsetia Rhudd, Crossing Guard Coordinator (am); Margaret Laramore, Crossing Guard Coordinator (am & pm)

Observations:

1. Parkway Ave runs east to west and is a two lane street with School Area Signs and a speed limit of 40 km/hr. An adult crossing guard is located at the intersection of Parkway Ave and Gretna Drive. There is a sidewalk on Parkway Ave on the school side.
 2. A one way driveway/entrance leads to the school. At the front of the school, there is parking space, a bus loading zone and a drive through.
 3. There are "No Stopping, 8:00 to 5:00", Monday to Friday on the school side of Parkway Ave at the exit and entrance, and "No Stopping, 5:00 to 9:00", Monday to Friday across from the school in the vicinity of the school. "No Parking" anytime signs are located on the north side of Parkway Ave from Gretna Drive to the school driveway and no restrictions signs are also on the south side between the driveway and Gretna Drive.
 4. During the morning we witnessed a lot of vehicles parked in front of the school on both sides of Parkway Ave. Approximately 20 vehicles parked on the north side and eight vehicles parked on the south side of the roadway. Some cars made U turns at the front of the school.
 5. In the afternoon there were nine vehicles parked in the "No Stopping" zone, and this created a blind spot for pedestrians walking home. One driver made a U turn within the intersection of Parkway Ave and Cambridge Street.
 6. Drivers stopped on Parkway Ave just prior to the driveway. This did not cause an issue during the morning site inspection but in the afternoon if vehicles parked, this would interfere with the bus entering the school property.
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Recommendations:

1. That the Site Inspection report for St Joseph 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; and,

3. That the Manager of Parking Enforcement be requested to arrange for Parking Officers to attend during arrival and dismissal times for the school to enforce the parking/stopping violations.
