



School Traffic Safety: What You Need to Know

It is more evident now than at any other time in the history of Chantrell Creek Elementary that traffic conditions within the school zone, both prior to and at dismissal of school, are often congested with parents, & relatives.

As a community our choice is to make every attempt possible to improve unsafe traffic conditions by improving our safe driving habits and to decrease traffic congestion around the school.

We are asking you to join us Parents and School Faculty along with the City, Police, School Board and members School Safety Committee in making a commitment to protect all of our children as they enter and leave school.

Please review the recommended traffic pattern of the school and follow it when driving your child to school. It is our hope that you will help your children develop good pedestrian habits so that they may arrive and depart school safely. Success in achieving our goals will be determined by how effectively and cooperatively we all work together.

The Transfer Zone:

- The Transfer Zone is designated by Yellow Arrows.
- There is NO PARKING in the Transfer Zone – Drop off and Pick up Only.
- Please drop-off your child in the Transfer Zone. (Please don't drop children in the staff parking lot.)
- Please pull forward as far as possible to allow other parents to drop off at the curb.
- You may not park in the Transfer Zone
- Your children will be supervised as soon as they enter the school grounds.
- You can not stay and watch your child walk into the school.
- Your child should always exit the car on the sidewalk side.
- Do not let your child out in the middle of the street. You need to pull over to the curb.
- Pick a time after school dismissal to meet your child at the Transfer Zone.

Chantrell Creek Traffic Pattern Drop-off Map 8:15-8:40am





Alternatives:

Walking gives children an opportunity to:

- Exercise
- Socialize

Walking reduces: Tension, stress, anxiety and pollution and develops:

- Good judgment & good decision making skills
- Self-confidence & Self-esteem
- Friendships
- Independence

Start a walking partnership:

- With other children in the neighbourhood
- With other families and take turns supervising
- Between a child and a senior citizen living nearby

Start a combination Park and Walk

- Before school, park within a block or two of the school and let children walk the remaining distance
After school, arrange to meet your child in a pre-arranged location at least one block from the school

If driving is the only option:

- Carpool as much as possible, sign up with your school and look up other carpoolers at your school
- Avoid arriving at the school during the peak drop-off and pick-up times

Parents - Don't be guilty of one of the following!

Surrey Top Ten School Area Traffic Violations

1. Speed. Please Slow down and remember the new speed enforcement laws are in effect.
2. Crosswalks are those portions of a roadway clearly marked for pedestrian crossing.
Stopping or parking in a crosswalk can result in a fine.
Driving into a pedestrian crossing when a pedestrian is present can result in a fine.
3. Double parking is defined as stopping or parking on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge of a curb or a sidewalk. Double parking can result in a fine.
4. Parking within 20 feet of an intersection or within 5 feet of a driveway is illegal and a ticket can be issued.
5. A ticket can be given to any unauthorized vehicle stopped or parked at either a handicap curb cut or in a handicap parking space, while parking at a fire hydrant can result in a fine.
6. U-turns slow up traffic and increase the possibility of an accident occurring. Motor vehicle operators who make illegal U-turns can be given a ticket. U-turns should not be made in school zones.
7. Failing to stop when approaching a school bus with a school bus sign that is displaying a flashing red signal can result in a fine.
8. Failing to stop a motor vehicle at the request of a Traffic or Police Officer can result in a ticket.
9. Seatbelts or other passenger safety restraints are required by law. A fine can be imposed for each occupant of a motor vehicle not in compliance with the law.
10. Parking a motor vehicle in restricted areas as "No parking," "School Pick-up/Drop-off Zones," or limited time zones can also lead to a fine.