

## School Travel Plan Data

#### **Parent Survey Data:**

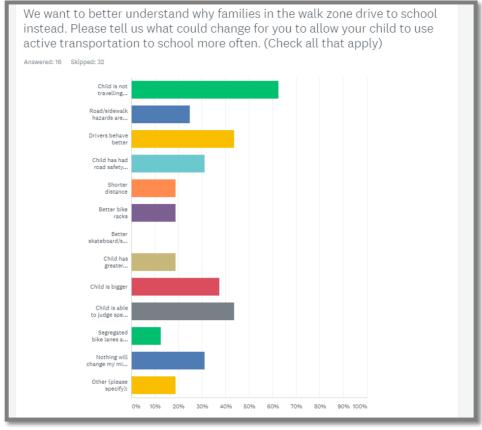
In late December 2017 and early January 2018, Howard Robertson Public School issued a family survey in order to discover how students traveled to school and why families make the choices they do. The survey also gave families an opportunity to describe specific barriers to safe active travel, and even to propose solutions for consideration. The surveys found:

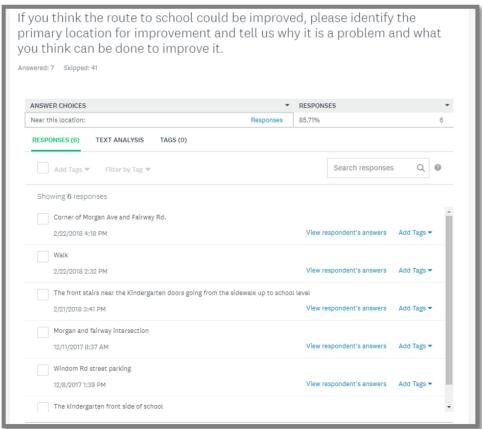
- Families are about 30% confident in the safety of their neighbourhood
- About 50% of students in responding families walk to school, with another 5% who walk at least one block
- The most common reason families drive is because their children have to walk alone otherwise, with driver behavior and development of skills are close seconds
- There are concerns with intersections and road crossings
- There are also deep concerns about the access points in the front of the school, specifically around stroller access
- 340 students are in the walk zone
- 26 students are in the bus zone
- 6 students are out of bounds

The following tables show more complete data.











### School Travel Plan Goals

#### **School Travel Planning Committee goals:**

The School Travel Planning Committee has set the following goals and is making realistic and measurable actions to achieve them:

- To improve the safety of children at drop points
- To create a safer, happier journey for all active travelers
- To increase road safety skills in students and their parents
- To encourage more active travel
- To monitor effectiveness of initiatives and revise School Travel Plan accordingly

Specific action items are detailed in the following Action Plan.



# **School Travel Plan**Howard Robertson P.S. Action Plan

Action/Initiative	Tasks	Responsibility	Start Date	Completion date	Estimated Cost and Source of Funds, or No Cost
Objective 1: To impr	ove the safety of children at drop points		T	T	Γ
Create Kiss n Drop	<ol> <li>Leslie and Dean review areas</li> <li>Review options with stakeholders on Walkabout</li> <li>Sign the area with no stopping/ school drop point signs</li> <li>Pave pathway from road to school yard?</li> <li>Recruit volunteers to guide behaviours in the area at least at the beginning, potentially ongoing</li> <li>Consider using students to lead kindies down walk path off Southill</li> <li>Develop Kiss n Drop rules with half pager</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Principal/VP, city stakeholders, School Travel Planner, Board Planners, STP Committee</li> <li>All</li> <li>Dean</li> <li>Facilities?</li> <li>Sheena/Dino/Principal</li> <li>Principal</li> <li>Sheena/Leslie</li> </ul>	Spring 2018	Review only	Municipal source
Change yard rules to decrease congestion	<ol> <li>Safety rule: No parents on blacktop or yard behind the school</li> <li>No dogs</li> <li>Students must leave immediately at the end of the day</li> </ol>	Principal/VP		Dogs - 2019	None
Site Review/walkabout	<ol> <li>Lauren, Guy to meet Sheena, Leslie</li> <li>Review stairs, access points, parking lot features</li> <li>Plan for changes</li> </ol>	<ul><li>All</li><li>All</li><li>Guy, Lauren, Leslie</li></ul>	March 2018	March 2018	None
Parking Lot Upgrades	<ol> <li>Modelling/ planning</li> <li>Consultation if required</li> <li>Implementation</li> </ol>	<ul><li>Guy Mackie</li><li>Leslie/Sheena</li><li>Facilities</li></ul>	Spring 2018	?	
Drop point on Southill Dr	1.Check signage is appropriate     2. Develop system for supervision onto lot for small children     3. Ensure winter maintenance	<ul> <li>Dean –signage</li> <li>CCS-Walking School Bus pick up</li> <li>Custodian –winter maintenance</li> </ul>	Spring 2018	WSB-Jan 2020	

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Objective 2: To crea	ate a safer, happier journey for all active traveler	s			
Family survey	<ol> <li>Develop survey for Howard Robertson</li> <li>Issue survey via newsletter, eblast, note home</li> <li>Tabulate data</li> <li>Evaluate data and add items to action plan</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Leslie to share with Sheena</li> <li>Mr. Parliament approved and will issue</li> <li>Leslie / committee</li> <li>STP Committee</li> </ul>	December 11, 2017	Jan 2018	
Extend timing of lights at Fairway and Morgan	<ol> <li>Consult with region to add 13 seconds to crossing Fairway</li> <li>Warrant?</li> </ol>	•		Dec 2017	
Love My Hood project	<ol> <li>Submit grant proposal</li> <li>Develop art for yard signs</li> <li>Develop wording for fence banner</li> <li>Get buy-in from neighbours</li> <li>Order materials</li> <li>Plan implementation dates</li> <li>Implement</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Sheena and Dino with Lauren</li> <li>?</li> <li>?</li> <li>Team</li> <li>Sheena with Leslie</li> <li>Team</li> <li>Team</li> </ul>	April 2018	Winter 2020	Neighbourhood matching grant
Walking School Bus	<ul><li>8. Invite CCS and BP to describe approach</li><li>9. Develop school readiness survey</li><li>10. Determine viability</li></ul>	<ul> <li>CCS/BP available for meeting after February 7</li> <li>CCS</li> <li>CCS</li> </ul>	April 2018	2020 launch	
Winter closure of steps	<ol> <li>Part of site review</li> <li>Address separately from parking lot upgrades</li> </ol>	All     Facilities/ Leslie / Lauren			
Bus Patrol/Foot Patrol/Trailblazers	<ol> <li>Get principal buy-in</li> <li>Recruit students</li> <li>Let Nicole Proulx know how many students will attend</li> <li>Arrange for transportation to Bud Park</li> <li>Arrange schedules</li> <li>Deliver vests</li> <li>Check in/distribute swag</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Principal approval required</li> <li>Teacher recruiter/organizer required</li> <li>School</li> <li>School</li> <li>Teacher organizer</li> <li>STSWR</li> <li>Leslie</li> </ul>	September 2018		

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Objective 3: To incre	ease road safety skills in students and their pare	nts			
Assembly	<ol> <li>Road Safety</li> <li>How to cross with crossing guard</li> <li>How to react to biohazard materials</li> <li>Report a stray dog/other danger</li> <li>Cellphone use</li> <li>Crossing roundabouts</li> <li>Send home a checklist for parents to review with kids</li> <li>Guest speakers – police, public health, School Travel Planner</li> </ol>	<ul><li> "How we do it" assembly coordinators</li><li> Sheena</li></ul>	February 9, 2018	February 9, 2018	
Bike Rodeo	<ol> <li>Teacher leader</li> <li>Working Centre involvement?</li> <li>Date set</li> <li>Materials sourced</li> <li>Instruction station</li> <li>Bike decorating station</li> <li>Bike repair station</li> <li>Obstacle course</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Mr. Lipske to source/ assign?</li> <li>Leslie make connection</li> <li>All</li> <li>All</li> <li>?</li> <li>Leslie</li> <li>?</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>7</li> <li>9</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>7</li> <li>6</li> <li>7</li> <li>7</li> <li>7</li> <li>8</li> <li>9</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>7</li> <li>8</li> <li>9</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>5</li> <li>6</li> <li>7</li> <li>9</li> <li>7</li> <li>8</li> <li>9</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>7</li> <li>8</li> <li>9</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>5</li> <li>6</li> <li>7</li> <li>9</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>4</li> <li>5</li> <li>6</li> <li>7</li> <li>8</li> <li>9</li> <li>9</li> <li>1</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <l></l></ul>	Fall 2018		
Newsletter	Continuous reminders     Leslie to share newsletter articles with     Mr. Lipske	<ul><li>Leslie shared</li><li>Mr. Lipske use</li></ul>	Spring 2018	Spring 2018	
Objective 4: To enco	ourage more active travel	,	•	'	'
iWalk Day	<ol> <li>Register at saferoutes.ca</li> <li>Order stickers and posters</li> <li>Get swag</li> <li>4.</li> </ol>	•		Regular participation	
Winter Walk Day	<ol> <li>Posters and stickers</li> <li>Newsletter</li> <li>Picture contest?</li> </ol>	• Leslie		Regular particpation	

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Spring Walk to School Day	1. Walk in their Sneakers	Sheena / Dino		Regular participation		
Walking Wednesdays	<ol> <li>Develop reward system</li> <li>Register at         http://ontarioactiveschooltravel.ca/i walk-iwheel-club/     </li> <li>Promote and count</li> </ol>	<ul><li>All</li><li>Sheena/ Steve Lipske</li><li>All</li></ul>	Fall 2018?			
Bike Racks	Can WRDSB install updated bike racks and scooter racks?	Leslie/ Lauren	Summer 2018	Fall 2018?	\$5000, WRDSB	
Objective 5: To evaluate the effectiveness of initiatives and revise the School Travel Plan accordingly						
Hands up surveys in class	1. BikeWalkRoll.org	•	Ongoing	ongoing		
Traffic counts	1. Counterpoint.org	•				