School Zones

School zone times can differ from community to community. In Chilliwack school zones are in effect on school days from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

As described in the Motor Vehicle Act, the back of the school zone sign for the opposite direction of travel indicates the end of the 30 km/h school zone.

Safer School Travel Program

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The Program

The Safer School Travel plan is a program developed to assist Parent Advisory Committees (PAC’s) in developing School Road Safety Plans.

Every school should have a Road Safety Plan. A realistic and balanced approach is required between providing for the safety of children and the mobility of vehicles. The road safety plans should address:

- Identifying all issues in the walk/cycle limits of a school
- Strategies for all modes of transportation
- Vehicle reduction initiatives
- Engineering, Education and Enforcement measures
- Parent and community initiatives

It is envisioned that a PAC subcommittee will be responsible for developing the school Road Safety Plan (RSP). This would be undertaken in cooperation with all relative stakeholders.

Overview

Step 1 (Set-Up): Committee is established; timelines are developed.

Step 2 (Data Collection & Problem Identification): Family surveys; mapping; site visit; traffic counts; issues summarized; Stakeholder meeting

Step 3 (Action Plan): Road Safety Plan is created; Best Walking Routes Map developed

Step 4 (Implementation): Stakeholders take on assigned tasks developed from Road Safety Plan

Step 5 (Ongoing Monitoring): Follow-up data (family surveys) to evaluate progress and any new issues; Road Safety Plan and Best Walking Route map adjustments

How To Get Started

To begin, gather support for participating in the program at your school; phone or email Safer City to organize an initial meeting to go over the program in detail and then the program timeline can be organized.