Practical Suggestions

If you must drive your child to or from school, follow these suggestions to help minimize traffic dangers for all children:

- Form a car pool with neighbours to reduce the number of cars going to or from the school or bus stop.
- Work with school officials to establish a designated location where parents can pick up or drop off their children.
- Ask that "walkers" and "riders" be dismissed from different sides of the building. If school officials cannot designate an official location, arrange a specific place to meet your child. Ideally, this should be on the same side of the street as the school and away from congestion.
- Ask school officials to consider dismissing the few children who ride in cars a little later than those who walk or ride buses.
- Comply with the speed limit in school zones. Recent research indicates that neighbourhood residents typically drive 16 km/h faster than the posted speed limit in school zones. Parents of children attending the school frequently are among the offenders.

Concern for our children's education and safety go hand in hand.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Their safety rests in the hands of the driver behind the wheel.

Parents Can be Serious Traffic Hazards