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## **Public Notice**

### **Parking safety around schools**

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Dear parent or guardian:

Dropping off and picking up students in school areas can cause a lot of extra traffic congestion. Illegally stopped or parked cars are a safety risk as they make it hard for other drivers to see pedestrians, particularly children, crossing the street.

We need your help to ensure the children of our community can get to and from school safely. The Town of Oakville has partnered with Halton Regional Police Service (HRPS) to help educate drivers about school zone safety and parking. Your child's school has been identified as an area of concern. This month, officers will be visiting the school to remind drivers:

- Not to stop in No Stopping areas
- Not to park in No Parking areas
- Not to obstruct sidewalks, crosswalks, driveways or fire routes

Following the awareness campaign, officers who patrol school areas will enforce parking regulations, ticketing illegally stopped or parked vehicles. Parking tickets may be issued at the time of the violation or may be mailed to the registered owner of the vehicle.

#### **Parking Penalties:**

- Stopping in a No Stopping zone, even momentarily, could result in a \$50 ticket.
- Parking in a No Parking zone, even if the vehicle is occupied, could result in a \$40 ticket.
- Stopping or parking in a fire route could result in a \$100 ticket.

To help reduce the number of cars on the road in your school area, students are encouraged to use the pre-arranged bus transportation or consider other active ways to get to school such as bike riding or walking. These alternatives not only promote physical activity but help reduce pollution and traffic congestion, and increase safety around the school. Please visit the [Region of Halton's website](#) for information on the Active and Safe Routes to School initiative.

Please help us keep our school areas safe.

For more information, contact *ServiceOakville* at 905-845-6601 or [serviceoakville@oakville.ca](mailto:serviceoakville@oakville.ca).