



School Streets Pilot Project

Community Meeting
April 25 2022

Land Acknowledgment

“We acknowledge the lands which constitute the present-day City of Mississauga as being part of the Treaty and Traditional Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, The Haudenosaunee Confederacy the Huron-Wendat and Wyandot Nations. We recognize these peoples and their ancestors as peoples who inhabited these lands since time immemorial. The City of Mississauga is home to many global Indigenous Peoples.

As a municipality, the City of Mississauga is actively working towards reconciliation by confronting our past and our present, providing space for Indigenous peoples within their territory, to recognize and uphold their Treaty Rights and to support Indigenous Peoples. We formally recognize the Anishinaabe origins of our name and continue to make Mississauga a safe space for all Indigenous peoples.”

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Introducing the Project
- Get Involved!
- Question Period



Reminders for tonight's meeting

1. Raise your hand to speak, or type into the chat box
2. If you are not speaking, please keep yourself on mute
3. There are no silly questions
4. Support your fellow community members in what they are working to do with this project

Who is involved in this pilot?

- Pilot project across 3 municipalities launching in Spring 2022
- Funding from Ontario Active School Travel grant
- Coordinated by 8-80 Cities



The Local Project Planning Team at Hillside PS

- Staff and students from St Alfred and Brian W Fleming
- Local residents
- Students from Mississauga's Youth Action Committee
- Councillor Chris Fonseca
- Local high school students
- Staff from Dixie Bloor Neighbourhood Centre, MLAG and East Mississauga Community Health Centre
- Volunteers from Mississauga Traffic Safety Council
- Staff from PDSB and DPCDSB
- Staff from Region of Peel's Environmental Education team
- Staff from Student Transportation of Peel Region



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What are School Streets?



- Create **temporary car-free environments** in front of schools at start and/or end of school day
 - Exemptions: Emergency vehicles, special education school buses, immediate residents, those who need additional mobility support
- Make space and prioritize safe conditions for walking and other active travel
- Help us to rethink the journey to school

School Streets Pilot Project



- Encouraging active travel to school
- Improving road safety
- Reducing traffic congestion

Why School Streets?

Also:

- Benefiting mental health and focus at school
- Improving air quality at and around schools
- Building community



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Participating Schools

West Location

- Single school:
 - Hillside
- 3 weeks: May 9- May 27
- AM and PM road closure (35 mins and 50 mins, respectively)

East Location

- Shared site with 2 schools:
 - Brian W Fleming and St Alfred
- 3 weeks: May 16 - June 3
- PM road closure only (70 minutes)





Welcome to one of
Mississauga's first



Road closed to cars

May 16 – June 3
Monday – Friday
2:30 to 3:40 p.m.



What will be happening?



- Information booth with refreshments for families and neighbours
- Activities and daily afternoon snacks for students
- Sensory path through Burnhamdale Park
- Street Party
Friday June 3

School Streets Quick Facts

- Has this been tried elsewhere?
 - Yes!
- Won't it just push traffic elsewhere?
 - Past pilots have shown “no”
- Why are we doing this as a pilot?
 - To see whether it impacts how students travel to/from school
 - To see whether it is acceptable
- Are there plans to extend beyond the 3 weeks?
 - Not right now; testing it out first

Get Involved

Take the Survey

School Streets pilot project

Get Involved About Locations

Three schools in the city will be taking part in a School Streets pilot project, which will create safe and community-friendly spaces for residents to get to school.

A School Street creates a temporary car-free environment in front of a school during drop-off and pick-up times. This creates safe, community-friendly spaces for people walking and cycling to school, including students, their caregivers and teachers.

We want your feedback! Have your say on this project by completing a survey.

Take survey

- Go to mississauga.ca/schoolstreets

CLICK HERE



School Streets Pilot Project

Volunteers Needed!

May 16 – June 3

- Be part of one of Mississauga's first ever School Streets
- Get a letter of recommendation from the City of Mississauga
- High school students: Earn community service hours toward your high school graduation
- Flexible shifts after school at St Alfred and Brian W Fleming schools
- **PLUS:** Receive up to \$100* in recognition of your time
More shifts = More cash (*Minimum 6 shifts to qualify)

For more information, visit the project website at mississauga.ca/schoolstreets or email laura.zeglen@mississauga.ca



Volunteer

- **Activity Leader:** Activity leaders will contribute to planning and implementation of activities within the School Street
- **Event Supporter:** Event supporters will fulfill a variety of roles to help the event run smoothly



Volunteer Requirements

- All volunteers must complete required reading and forms before their first shift, including:
 - ✓Terms and Conditions Form
 - ✓COVID Waiver Form
 - ✓Record of Offenses Declaration Form
 - ✓Consent to Audio and Video Form
- All volunteers will be expected to attend a virtual training session, and will be provided with an event t-shirt. They will join one of two teams to help run the School Street at that location.



Volunteer Shifts

East Location: St Alfred and Brian W Fleming
May 16 – June 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shift 1 (1st half)	2:15- 3:15pm <input type="checkbox"/>	2:15- 3:15pm <input type="checkbox"/>	2:15- 3:15pm <input type="checkbox"/>	2:15- 3:15pm <input type="checkbox"/>	2:15- 3:15pm <input type="checkbox"/>
Shift 1 (2nd half)	3:00- 3:50pm <input type="checkbox"/>	3:00- 3:50pm <input type="checkbox"/>	3:00- 3:50pm <input type="checkbox"/>	3:00- 3:50pm <input type="checkbox"/>	3:00- 3:50pm <input type="checkbox"/>



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How to Apply

- Download Application forms from the project website on “Get Involved” page: mississauga.ca/schoolstreets
- Return completed forms to Sheelagh Duffin: Sheelagh.Duffin@Mississauga.ca
- Training (online) to be scheduled for week of May 2, and shifts begin May 16



Learn More

- Community Pop-ups
 - **May 4: 8:15-9:30am**, as part of Walk and Roll to School event (at park behind both schools)
 - **May 6: 3:00-4:00pm**, at the front of both schools



Learn More

- Speak with project volunteers when they come to your door to deliver your Resident Information Package (Havenwood Drive residents)



Spread the Word!

- Tell your neighbours
- Direct them to the website, or to Laura Zeglen, for more information



In progress City project

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<https://mississauga.ca/schoolstreets>

Still have questions?

Contact:

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Question Period