



**FORESTVIEW SCHOOL COUNCIL  
PARKING LOT PRESENTATION  
JANUARY 2023**



## **OUR GOALS**

- **WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT ALL PEOPLE ARE SAFE IN PARKING LOT.**
- **ADULTS AND STUDENTS FOLLOW PARKING LOT RULES.**
- **REDUCE TRAFFIC AT ENTRY AND DISMISSAL BY PROVIDING SAFE OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS TO GET TO / FROM SCHOOL**

# The Presenting Concerns

- Some families drive children because they don't feel they are old enough to walk
- Adults not following parking lot rules (stopping in bus lanes, parking in the KGN kiss and ride, blocking busses from entering and exiting, not parking in parking spots, not following parking lot rules)
- Double parking across all parking spaces
- Cars driving down the staff parking lot by the gym and trying to turn around to exit or backing up
- Students getting dropped off and running through parking lot
- Safety for adults and students while in the parking lot



# What We Have Done

- October 2021 City of NF - Completed a safety audit on Forestview Blvd which led to a City Crossing guard on Forestview to cross in front of the school
- 8 staff members outside supervising before and after school
- City By-law officers supporting, warning and ticketing on several occasions on Forestview Blvd and in the front of the school
- Purchased bumpers to stop individuals from backing over the curb and blocking the sidewalks
- Reminders in weekly communication about parking lot etiquette
- Painted new lines on the ground to remind staff of zones



# Who is Involved

- Forestview staff and Administration
- Forestview School Council
- City of Niagara Falls
- DSBN Superintendent
- DSBN Trustee
- DSBN Facilities
- Parking Enforcement Officers



- Continue to gather ideas
- DSBN Facilities will complete a safety assessment of parking
- Use pylons and have adult stand at end of staff parking \*\*\* this has created a negative domino effect on the main area
- Order signs that include a double parking by-law
- Investigating adding posts and chains so the staff parking lot can be blocked off so cars can not go down to turn around.
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- Add posts and chains so the staff parking lots can be blocked off
- Change traffic flow by adding a kiss and ride for all students (not just Kgn)
- Make large parking lot bigger and allow traffic to go out (don't have to drive in front of school)
- Create a walking school bus from each direction
- Can only turn right when exiting the parking lot.



- Gather more ideas from School Council
- Would like to have the support from school council and write a joint letter (from Forestview admin and School Council) to the school community in regards to **short term** decisions.
- Meet with DSBN facilities and the City to discuss our ideas and establish a plan for a long term solution
- Communicate **long term** plan with Forestview Community

