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ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission

Update – November 20, 2019

Safe Routes to Schools - SRTS

Committees and/or on-site and off-site improvements made at:

13 of 19 Elementary Schools:

Angell
Bach
Bryant
Burns Park
Carpenter
Dicken
Eberwhite
King
Lawton
Mitchell
Pattengill
Thurston
Wines

4 of 5 Middle Schools

Clague
Scarlett
Slauson
Tappan

2 of 5 High Schools

Huron
Pioneer

Both K-8 Schools

A2 STEAM
AA Open



SRTS

Committee Make-Up & Their Charge

- Principal
- Staff
- Parents
- Students at the high schools.
- City Traffic Engineer
- AAPD Officer



Key Areas of Assessment:

- **Evaluation**

ID problems – Set expectations – Survey parents/students

- **Engineering**

Sidewalks – Street Crossings – Car/Ped relationship/Obstacles along route/Signage

- **Education**

Tailor plan to community – Incorporate Safe Kids Huron Valley – Communicate, often

- **Encouragement**

Start walking & bike to school initiatives – Promote walk/bike routes – Start Safety Patrol – Remote bus drop offs

- **Enforcement**

Used after repeated communications – Partner with local law enforcement

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2019-2020 Grants

A2 STEAM

- Enforcement decoy program for this fall
- Expand Orange Flag program
- Student video development for Bethel A.M.E remote drop off
- New bike rack installations
- Lower Town initiative with City

Mini Grants

Lawton – continuation of 2018-2019 grant
Burns Park & Dicken – 2019-2020 grant

- Bike/Walk to School Rodeos
- Incentives
- Orange Flag program at Dicken
- New bike rack at Dicken
- T-Shirt walking program at Burns Park

COMMUTING TO A2 STEAM 2019-2020

WHERE CAN I PARK?

School lots are not available for drop-off and pick-up of students. Two neighboring churches have graciously agreed to let families use their lots during drop-off and pick-up times. Parents may also park legally on the street.

1. Drop-off @ Bethel A.M.E. Church - 300 John A. Woods Dr. Parents may drop-off students or park and walk with students to school.
2. Park and Walk @ Northside Community Church - 929 Barton Dr. Parents may park and walk younger students to school. Drop-off is not available due to safety concerns. Do not park in designated church spots or enter the lot if orange cones are present.

WHERE CAN I PARK ON THE STREET?

Legal street parking:	Inlandia Avenue
Taylor Street	Traver Road
Peach Street	Dicken St
Pear Street	
John A Woods Drive	
Chandler Road	
Amherst Avenue	

*parking on one side of the street only-look for posted signs

BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS

- Do not stop to discharge or pick up passengers on Pontiac Trail or Barton Drive.
- When street parking, please do not block driveways or fire hydrants.
- Please do not idle your car.
- Please obey all parking signs.

HOW WILL MY CHILD SAFELY CROSS THE STREET?

Crossing guards are located at:
Barton Drive @ STEAM front entrance
Pontiac Trail and Taylor Street
Peach Street and Taylor Street

Other crosswalks will be monitored by parent volunteers as possible. We need parent volunteers to assist with safety during drop-off and pick-up. If interested, please email info@a2steampt.org. Check for updates at A2 STEAM's Safe Routes to School webpage throughout the year.

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2019-2020 Initiatives

Angell

- Moved No Parking to south side of S. University to allow for more drop off and pick up space - pulling more cars off Washtenaw
- Improved on-site drop off and pick up lane

Bach

- Began drop off and pick up lane on Fifth St. including school-produced video

Carpenter

- New parking lot configuration
- Separation of bus and car drop off and pick up locations

Pattengill

- Improved crosswalks on school property from parking lots

AA Open

- City improvement of No Left Turn lane Red Oak onto Miller
- Improved drop off and pick up plan

Scarlett

- Improved car and bus drop off and pick up locations
- Reconfigured parking lot

Tappan

- Added new signage and crosswalk markings

Huron

- Continued education for drop off and pick up location off Fuller Rd.
- Involvement of Huron Green Team to promote biking and walking

MCity



A2 STEAM planned event at MCity this past spring that allowed students on bikes or walking to experience proper riding and walking practices at crosswalks, railroad crossings, orange flag crossings and general rules of the roads.



2019 Summer Work

Bach	Added concrete pad on Fifth St. for boarding location
Carpenter	New parking lot configuration and bus parking on Fresno
Tappan	Repainted crosswalk around loop/Created new crosswalks with pedestrian signs
Mitchell/Scarlett	Reconfigured Scarlett parking lot also serving Mitchell buses
Haisley	New sign for No Left Turn
Angell	New drop off / pick up extension along S. University Expanded on-site drop off / pick up lane
AA Open	Repaint of back bus loop drop off / pick up City initiated No Left Turn onto Miller from Red Oak

Crossing Guards

Partnership with Ann Arbor Police – employees of City of Ann Arbor

18 Elementary locations including two Middle School crossings
Morning & Afternoons

Duties

- Monitor traffic flow for safe gaps and walk children across the street.
- Hold up a hand-held "STOP" sign until all children are safely across the street.
- Report any unsafe observations, incidents or accidents involving students to school authorities.
- Record and report the license numbers of vehicles that disregard the Crossing Guard while in the crosswalk.
- Assist students that are lost, injured, or need assistance.
- Abide by all guidelines and regulations governing student crossing.



Next Steps- 2019-2020 School Year

- **Add more Safe Routes To School teams**
- **Continued education of pedestrian and bike safety**
- **Plan for summer work – exit/entrances, crossings, etc.**
- **Work with City for additional School Zone sign placements across city**
- **SRTS grant management**
- **Safety initiatives**