

Parents / Guardians

Encourage your children to walk or cycle to and from school on a regular basis.

Promote healthy living.

Save yourself from traffic and scheduling hassles.

Cut out even a few car trips to school.

Show your children what a great driver you are!

Model excellent driving behaviour.

Respect our neighbours and please don't block driveways. Improve our school, our community and our environment.

Students want independence, but need reminding that they are not indestructible. Help children learn how to make responsible choices by talking about safe walking habits. Although parent volunteers have walked these main pedestrian routes to check for major safety issues, please keep in mind that no route can be guaranteed safe.

Main goal of the Yarrow Elementary Safer School Travel (SST) Team is to help students get to and from school safely. **The SST Team** needs your participation to promote student safety.

Check out school notices and bulletin boards for ongoing projects to promote SST.

Your ideas and feedback are welcome.

If you have questions or comments please contact:
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Chilliwack Safer City—www.chilliwack.com/safercity



30 km/h

School Zone 30 km/h limit is in effect from 7:30 am to 5 pm on school days.



Crosswalk-YIELD to pedestrians. If there is a crossing guard, or student patrol, follow their directions.



Cyclists may be on the roadway.



Playground Area—presence of children on or near the road, could represent an unexpected hazard to the driver.

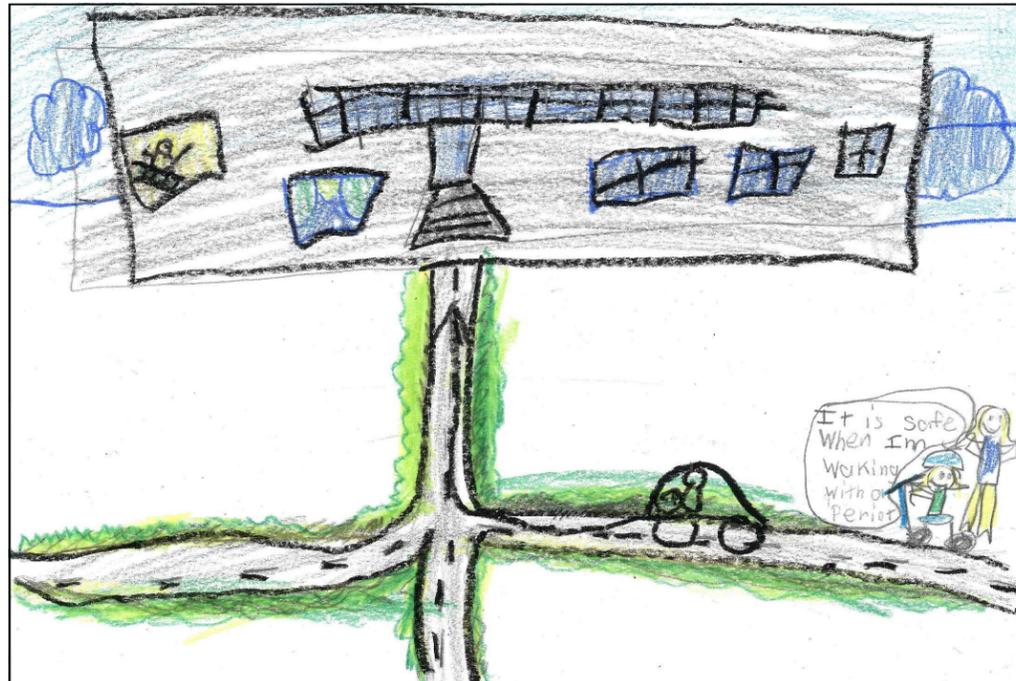
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KEEP OUR FUTURE SAFE...PLEASE SLOW DOWN



"It is safe when I'm walking with a parent"
- Anonymous

Best Walking Routes to School

YARROW ELEMENTARY



Artwork courtesy of Marcus, Grade 1



... Be Street Wise



Chilliwack Safer City

Street Wise Tips

SIDEWALKS:

- ◆ If there is a SIDEWALK, use it.
- ◆ If there is NO SIDEWALK:
 - Walk facing traffic.
 - Walk on the gravel shoulder or grass boulevard.
 - Walk onto road edge after traffic passes.

CROSSING THE STREET:

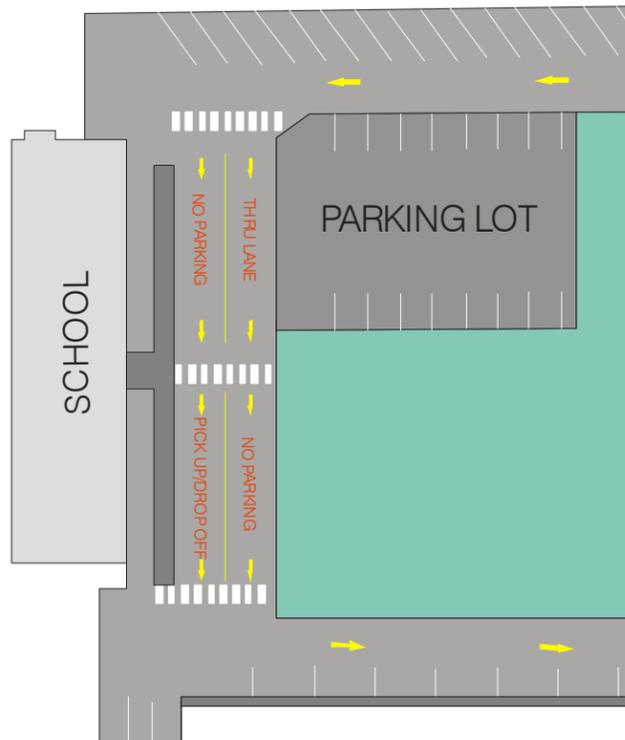
- ◆ NEVER JAYWALK!!!
- ◆ STOP at the curb or road edge.
- ◆ LOOK left right and then left again.
- ◆ CROSS when the street is clear, but keep looking and listening.
- ◆ DO NOT step onto the roadway until ALL vehicles have stopped moving.
- ◆ WATCH for left and right turning vehicles.
- ◆ LOOK at the driver to make eye contact.
- ◆ REMEMBER—a crosswalk does not guarantee safety.

CROSSING AT THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL:

- ◆ PRESS button at desired crossing.
- ◆ WAIT for all traffic to stop.
- ◆ CHECK over your shoulder and make sure no one is turning.
- ◆ START crossing when "WALK" signal is shown.
- ◆ WATCH and listen when crossing.
- ◆ If the "DON'T WALK" signal starts to flash—keep going.
- ◆ DO NOT start to cross when the "DON'T WALK" signal is flashing.

MORE SAFETY TIPS:

- ◆ BUDDY UP—walk with a friend.
- ◆ BE SEEN—wear something brightly colored.
- ◆ BE ALERT—do not wear headphones while walking or biking to school.



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Yarrow Elementary — Best Walking Routes to School



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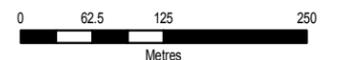
Legend

- CROSSWALK WITH CROSSING GUARD*
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- STOP SIGN
- WALKING ROUTES
- SIDEWALK

DANGER ZONE

Please slow down as children may be on roadway.

* Don't use crosswalks at Yarrow Central and Poplar, and Yarrow Central and Community. Go to Yarrow Central and Wilson, It is monitored by parent crossing guards.



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