# **TCGIS Traffic Impact Study Progress**

# A. Marked Pedestrian Crossing

- a. Como Ave crosswalk added to civil engineering documents
- b. Phone calls and emails have been happening with Elizabeth Stiffler since April 29th, 2019. Elizabeth is including TCGIS in traffic counts for schools. Expecting results early June 2019.

#### **B.** Crossing Guards

- a. Crossing guards staffed fully during the afternoon release (Since January 2019) in concert with using the PikMyKid App to assist with student release. We have seen better order of pedestrians crossing the street, especially on Como Ave.
- b. Crossing guards staffed on the Como Avenue side during morning drop-off by two staff members. Van Slyke Avenue has 2 staff members who assist with crossing duties in the morning.

## C. Continual Signal Timing Updates

- a. Signal timing was adjusted at Lexington/Como/Wynne to smooth vehicle back up. The following adjustments have been made:
  - On 11/16/18 added an afternoon school timing plan that runs from 3:30 to 4:00 pm
  - On 11/28/18 adjusted the start of the school timing plan to 3:20 pm. Now will run from 3:20 to 4:00 pm
  - On 11/28/18 added a morning school timing plan that will run from 7:55 to 8:15 am.

#### D. Staggered Release

a. TCGIS's release protocol includes a de-facto staggered release of students.

#### 1. Average #'s

Regular Pick-up Mode	Average Student Totals
Walking Pick-Up	21
Van Slyke Car Pick-Up	164
Como Car Pick-Up	136
Bus	168
Independent Walker	35
After School/KinderClub	38

<sup>\*\*</sup>Dates used: 9/12/18; 11/12/18; 1/17/19; 3/13/19; 5/8/19

b. Annual review of this info by administration. We have the ability to track this activity daily using the PikMyKid app.

### E. Re-Orient Pick-up/drop-off

a. TCGIS has begun communications with Elizabeth Stiffler. No plans to change current pick-up/drop-off procedure.

#### F. Utilize Parking Lot for Pick-up/Drop-off

a. Utilizing the parking lot of pick-up/drop-off has not been reviewed at this time but is a idea to consider in the future.

#### G. Move Pick-up/Drop-off Operations

a. TCGIS had an off-site car pick up protocol when the building was last under construction (2013). Teachers walked groups of kids across Van Slyke to West Como Avenue, where they waited for car pickup. There are sidewalks and open grass areas for children to safely wait. This could be explored as a solution during construction, and/or a long-term solution for moving car pick up away from Como Avenue to dedicate Como for bus pick-up.

#### H. Guide Staff Parking Locations

a. TCGIS administration communicates regularly regarding parking. Staff have been informed of parking locations on the following dates: August 26, 2018; November 26, 2018; January 7, 2019; March 11, 2019; May 16, 2019. Staff are responsive to administration.

#### I. Move Staff Parking Off-site - Remove on street parked vehicles around TCGIS

a. Reminders are sent to parents and staff on a regular basis not to park near school and avoid parking on Como Ave. Executive Director stops vehicles and asks them to move if parked on como ave during pick-up/drop-off. There has been an improvement in traffic flow around the school and there is improved visibility. TCGIS front office staff have NOT received any complaints about parking in recent months.

#### J. Time of Day Parking Restrictions

- a. Working with Elizabeth Stiffler on signage
- b. Phone calls and emails have been happening with Elizabeth Stiffler since April 29th, 2019.

### K. TDM Strategies

- a. Communications with metro transit in January 2019 about bus line routes and transit passes.
- Looking into making metro transit passes purchasable thru employee payroll deduction. Planning to include during teacher orientation for 2019/2020 school year.
- Looking into metro transit carpool app to improve carpool usage in conjunction with annual summer picnics which drive current carpooling efforts.
- d. Include an annual Metro Transit pass for a staff member as an item in the fall auction.