

THE CITY OF WARWICK
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CHAPTER 76
TRAFFIC

ARTICLE IV
STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING

No..... Date.....

Approved.....Mayor

Be it ordained by the City of Warwick:

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(211) On the left side of Red Chimney Drive near Cedar Hill School towards the approach to the school drop-off area ~~while school is in session~~ Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM. The fine for violating this subsection shall be \$100.00.

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Incident Report

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Incident #: 17-3835-OF
Call #: 17-44929

Date/Time Reported: 08/14/2017 0903
Report Date/Time: 08/14/2017 1045
Status: No Crime Involved

Reporting Officer: Officer Jason Brodeur
Approving Officer: Sergeant John Kelly, Jr.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

EVENTS(S)

LOCATION TYPE:
CEDAR HILL SCHOOL
35 RED CHIMNEY DR
WARWICK RI

Zone: RD 234 (POST 12)

1 Traffic Survey 2017-17

On 6/15/17, the Traffic Division received a request for a traffic study in regards to the No Parking on Red Chimney Drive in the area of Cedar Hill School(2017-17).

There have been numerous complaints about the parking at the school. Currently, there is no parking allowed on both sides of Red Chimney from the intersection of Red Chimney and Love Ln. The No Parking continues down Red Chimney east towards the entrance of Cedar Hill School. The No Parking ends on Red Chimney in front of 50 Red Chimney.

The issue is caused by both the buses and parents using the same area to have access to the school. The student drop off area is currently on the island in front of the school. The students then have to utilize a cross walk that puts them in the path of the school buses leaving the front of the school. Some parents and students do not use the crosswalk and walk directly This is also the area where parents park in the front parking lot and walk their children into the school.

This current set-up congest all the traffic into the front of the school, creating a potential dangerous situation for the students and their parents. With the consolidation of the school districts, that has the effect of adding more students to Cedar Hill School. Having more students will increase the traffic into the school. There needs to be a change in the traffic pattern to alleviate the congestion of traffic in the front of the school.

It is my recommendation that the student drop off be moved to the rear entrance of the school. The small strip of land closet to Cowesett Rd. dividing the parking lot should be removed and a traffic circle be placed there. This section of the parking lot is currently not being used. The traffic circle will allow the students to exit their parents vehicle onto the sidewalk directly in front of the school, and not require them to walk in the travel lanes of the buses and vehicles.

It is reasonable to change the current parking restriction to read "No Parking August 30-June-30". Or to read "No Parking when school is in session".

These changes will ensure the safety of students and allow for the flow of traffic.