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Dear parents and guardians

RE: Know your route before you commute this school season

As the school season begins, please plan ahead and stay alert during your daily commute. Construction is essential to Kelowna's growth, and while some disruption is unavoidable, your patience is appreciated. Be aware of construction zones that may affect school pick-up and drop-off routines. Planning your route and following construction signage helps keep everyone safe.

City projects you might see on your commute this fall include:

Chute Lake Road & Frost Road extension

Work began in 2024 and is expected to wrap up by fall 2025. A full closure of Chute Lake Road between Barnaby Road and South Crest Drive began in August and will last approximately two months. Detour options are available via Lakeshore Road or Barnaby Road. This approach allows crews to complete the work about five weeks faster than if the road remained partially open. Once finished, the project will offer improved access, expanded transportation options, upgraded sidewalks and bike lanes, and reduced congestion on nearby streets. Please refer to the map at the bottom of this notice for detour details.

Glenmore Road widening and sanitary trunk installation

In March, crews began installing a 1.5 km sanitary trunk main between Cross Road and Snowsell Road. This work is being coordinated with the Glenmore Road widening project, which will expand the corridor to four lanes from Union Road to Scenic Road. Both projects are expected to be completed by this winter. Glenmore Road will remain open in both directions, though reduced speeds, detours, and minor closures should be expected.

K.L.O. Road bridge replacement

Construction began in April on the replacement of the aging K.L.O. Bridge, originally built in 1949. The project includes a new roundabout on the east side of the bridge and is expected to be completed by fall 2026. Two lanes of traffic will be maintained during construction, with occasional single-lane alternating traffic and/or night-time work. The Mission Creek Greenway is fully accessible via a short detour at Leader Road. Reduced speeds and minor delays should be expected. The new bridge will address safety concerns, improve pedestrian and cycling access, and enhance traffic flow at the intersection of Spiers Road and K.L.O. Road.

To check for construction along your route, visit kelowna.ca/roadreport. The interactive road report map shows traffic impacts from City and private construction projects using data from road usage permits.

Thank you for helping keep our roads safe. We appreciate your patience and apologize for any inconvenience as we work to complete these important projects that support growth, improve connectivity, and enhance the overall transportation network.

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