



## **STAY Alert**

September 2019

### **Safe drop off and pick up**

#### **STAY NEWSLETTER**

The STAY advisers welcome you back to school for the 2019-2020 school year. September is the month for getting back into routines. Getting up earlier and going to bed earlier and of course getting to school. Parents and students alike get back into a rhythm of rushing out of bed, having breakfast and then racing to school.

The STAY team is comprised of retired police officer. Every year we watch in amazement as parents' race to school to drop off their children. Stop signs get ignored, parking in crosswalks and on the wrong side of the road is common practice. All these infractions warrant a ticket and maybe even a tow truck. Yet time after time parents justify these unsafe practices.

Children watch and learn from their parents. Our student will someday take their driving test and if they follow these examples, they will fail their test. Stop signs are always stop signs even in school yards. Parking in a crosswalk is always unlawful even if there is no sign. Parking with the driver's wheels to the curb is always improper parallel parking.

Our students are precious gifts. We need to take great care in delivering them to school and picking them up after school. The extra few seconds it takes to do the right thing pays great dividends. Please leave on time for school stop at those stop signs and park legally. We just want to keep everyone safe.