

Dear Monteith Parent,

The Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Department has been working with the Wayne County Road Commission to provide safer school crossings for Monteith students. This year, the school crossing at Mack and Cook was switched from the south side to the north side. This made it safer for the students and adult crossing guards because vehicles no longer will be making left turns into the school crossing from Cook as they did in the past.

The next transition will take place at Cook and Holiday starting Monday, **10/20/08**. At that time, students will start using the new crosswalk on Cook, west of Holiday and will no longer be crossing Holiday. This change has 3 purposes:

1. It will reduce the crowds of students gathering on the north-east corner (next to the mail box) while they wait for the crossing guard to help them across Holiday.
2. West bound Cook traffic can make right turns onto Holiday without having to wait for kids in the Holiday crosswalk. This should reduce some of the back-up on Cook during dismissal times.
3. East Kings court (south side) has extremely light traffic, unlike Holiday, which has multiple turning movements and has more vehicular traffic.

Please explain these changes to your child(ren) and assure them that we will have someone there to help them learn the new crossing patterns. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 343-2416 or sbeghin@gpwmj.us.

PSO Sally Beghin
Grosse Pte. Woods Traffic Safety Officer

