



Summary of survey involving Redeemer Path

Rationale

The DSR has been involved with Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School since early 2020. In prior engagements with the school, we learned that the most common school active transportation route for students who live east of Redeemer University involves walking through the University's campus to reach Kitty Murray Lane. Students access the campus through an unofficial path connecting Klein Circle to the east side of the campus.

A residential development called 'Fields of Springbrook' will remove this connection when complete. Alternative routes to school are along Stonehenge Drive or Garner Road, both of which have been identified as too far and/or dangerous. We conducted this survey to further our understanding of how the community uses the path, and whether respondents are favourable towards maintaining this connection. This data will be used in conversations with the builder/developer to provide a rationale for preserving the path so that students can continue getting to school actively and safely for years to come.

Questions asked

The survey was preceded by a description of the problem and the rationale of this approach. Images of the path were provided to respondents.

1. Before now, were you aware of this path? (Y/N)
2. Do your children use this path to get to school? (Y/N)
3. How else is this path used? (Multiple Choice)
 - a. Traveling to friends' houses
 - b. Accessing Redeemer University for Recreation
 - c. Accessing Redeemer University for Education.
 - d. Other (with opportunity to describe)
4. Do you believe that this path is an important neighbourhood connection? (Y/N)
5. Would you use this path if it was maintained? (Y/N)



Results

The survey was sent to the school community on Sunday, March 27. A reminder to complete the survey was sent on Sunday, April 3. The survey was closed on Friday, April 8.

80 households responded to the survey. There are 344 households with children attending Immaculate Conception. This means 23% of households responded.

Q1: Before now, were you aware of this path?	Yes: 54 No: 26
Q2: Do your children use this path to get to school?	Yes: 32 No: 48
Q3: How else is this path used?	Traveling to friends' houses: 48 Accessing Redeemer University for Recreation: 54 Accessing Redeemer University for Education: 8 An additional 10 respondents selected other and said they use it for exercise/recreation One respondent said they use it to get between neighbourhoods because Garner is unsafe
Q4: Do you believe this path is an important neighbourhood connection?	Yes: 79 No: 1
Q5: Would you use this path if it was maintained?	Yes: 76 No: 4