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Mr. Helmut Tinnes
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Dear Mr. Tinnes,

We understand safety concerns in the neighbourhood surrounding the school have been raised. Those issues include:

- Provision of safe travel routes
- Speed of vehicles
- Movement of construction materials and equipment during peak times
- Obstructed views due to materials and equipment

Activa and our Trade Partners take the matter of safety seriously. We also wish to be a good neighbour to Groh Public School and the families it serves.

Activa recognized that safety of children may become a concern. Our team initiated discussions with the Transportation Department of the WRDSB this past June, which led to Board-endorsed recommendations that we followed through on in preparation of the new school year.

Specifically, we:

- agreed upon a preferred travel route from the north that would lead people safely to and from the school;
- constructed sidewalks to accommodate the preferred travel route (see attached).

In addition and without consultation, Activa constructed sidewalks to aid travel from the west (beginning at Tall Grass Crescent).

More recently, we have installed caution signage along high traffic routes, particularly on Blair Creek Drive, and are preparing additional signage to highlight and encourage the use of the recommended route.

As well, we have communicated with our construction team and trade partners to remind them of the importance of safety, "looking out" for pedestrians and being ever mindful of our actions, particularly during those peak school hours. This will be an ongoing initiative.



Moving forward, if the school has questions or concerns, we encourage you to contact me directly.

Our hope is that you reach out to the Groh Public School families through your channels and advise them of the preferred travel route and the actions Activa has taken to date. We will communicate through our social channels as well but will wait until you have had an opportunity to communicate.

While construction continues, the safety of residents in the Doon South community is of paramount importance to all of us at Activa. We will continue our efforts to be a good neighbour.

Sincerely,
Activa

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David M. Wassmansdorf".

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Stauffer Woods Subdivision Phase 1, Stage 1
School Children Pedestrian Route

