

Petition to Limit Student Parking in the 1000 Block of West Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois

We, the undersigned residents and homeowners of the 1000 block of West Downer Place, petition the City of Aurora to limit parking by West High students on West Downer Place for the following reasons:

1. **Precedent exists.** All City blocks of Downer from Fordham to Randall restrict parking. Signs were placed years ago restricting parking. Those signs restrict parking between the hours of "7am and 12pm on school days". These signs may have existed in the 1000 but were lost over the years and not replaced.

When the signs were originally placed, the City was overly generous in placing the signs. Due to the reflective nature of the signs, they first appeared as an airport landing strip. Some signs were pulled to a reasonable number per block.

The original signs were probably placed from Elmwood to Randall rather than beginning at Fordham and the signs requested are simply a replacement of original signage.

2. **Safety.** There are school bus stops that require younger students to cross Downer at Fordham. Visibility of and by younger students is difficult/impossible for crossing at that intersection. (No Stop sign exists for Downer traffic.) There is a history of vehicle accidents at that corner. Additionally, the students with cars often exit and enter their vehicles onto Downer into traffic and often cross-mid street between cars.

3. **Restricts Homeowners use.** Often, homeowners are unable to safely enter or exit their driveways. Companies hired by homeowners are unable to park near the home in order to conduct repairs.

4. Property tax payers on this block contribute significantly to West Aurora School District. We are asking the School District to protect their students and neighbors. You may consider this as **NOTICE** of an unsafe condition. For legal purposes, should injury occur as a result of the condition, this document may be used in litigation.

We look forward to your **immediate resolution** of this problem by placing the same signs on our (1000 W. Downer) block as exist on the blocks from Fordham to Randall.

1. Rita & Hupp 1041 W. Downer Pl.
2. Duane Ross 1029 W. Downer Pl
3. V. Elaine Ross 1029 W Downer Pl
4. ~~Joe Sambrook~~ 1025 W. Downer Pl
5. ~~Mike Smith~~ 1025 W. Downer Pl.
6. Marcy Reimer 1021 W. Downer Place
7. Ann J. 1021 W Downer Pl.
8. Dick Kueh 1013 W. Downer Pl
9. Ed Pavak 1013 W. Downer Pl.
10. Helen Jay 1007 W. Downer Place
11. Kate Gamble's 1026 W. Downer Pl.
12. Phil Giannattasio 1026 W. Downer Pl.
13. Zodi Wilkin 1003 W. Downer Pl.
14. GRAHAM WILKIN 1003 W. DOWNER PL.