



Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St and Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

School Safety Improvements
Queens Community Board 14 | May 7, 2026



Background



Rockaways School safety Improvements

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- DOT was contacted by community members and school leadership about safety concerns at three school locations in the Rockaways:
 1. **Beach Channel Dr, Beach 77 St to Beach 84 St** (P.S. 183 Dr. Richard R Green) – [Presented to Community Board 14 Transportation Committee on 3/24/2026](#)
 2. **Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St** (Beach Channel Educational Campus and Scholars Academy)
 3. **Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St** (M.S. 18, Success Academy Rockaways, and P.S. 256 Q)



Rockaways School safety Improvements

Project Areas

1. Beach Channel Dr,
Beach 77 St to Beach
84 St - Presented to Community
Board 14 Transportation
Committee on 3/24/2026
2. Beach Channel Dr,
Beach 98 St to Beach
108 St
3. Rockaway Beach Blvd,
Beach 109 St to Beach
110 St





Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Background

- Beach Channel Educational Campus and Scholars Academy located on Beach Channel Dr
- High volume of students at arrival and dismissal time
- Winter 2023: Conducted site walkthrough with school leadership to understand street safety concerns
- Spring 2025: Installed a traffic signal at Beach Channel Dr and Seaside Ave to address concerns about student safety at the intersection



Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Injury Data

- **43** total injuries
 - 2 youth injuries
- Rear-ends make up 40% of crashes with injuries, indicating speeding

Injury Summary — 2021 - 2025 (5 Years)

Mode	Total Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatalities	KSI
Pedestrian	3	0	0	0
Bicyclist	1	0	0	0
MVO	35	1	0	1
Other Motorized	4	0	0	0
Total	43	1	0	1



Source: NYPD



Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Existing Conditions: High volume of student pedestrians



Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Existing Conditions: Beach Channel Dr is a wide road with long crossing distances



Beach Channel Dr at Seaside Ave

Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Existing Conditions: Unpredictable u-turns and fast turns onto side streets



Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Existing Conditions: Existing medians in poor condition

Medians are not
ADA accessible



Beach Channel Dr at Beach 104 St

Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Proposal: Concrete median tip extensions

- Install concrete median tip extensions on Beach Channel Dr at Beach 108 St, Beach 104 St, and Seaside Ave
- Improve accessibility, shorten crossing distances, and provide a safe space for pedestrians
- Slow turning vehicles and discourage illegal u-turns



● = Proposed Concrete Median Tip Extensions



Example: Concrete median tips

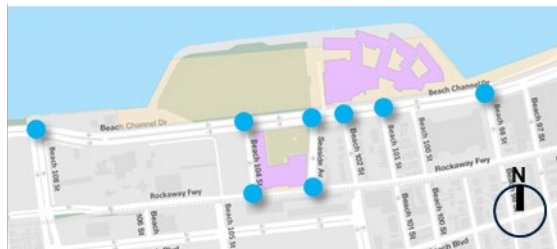
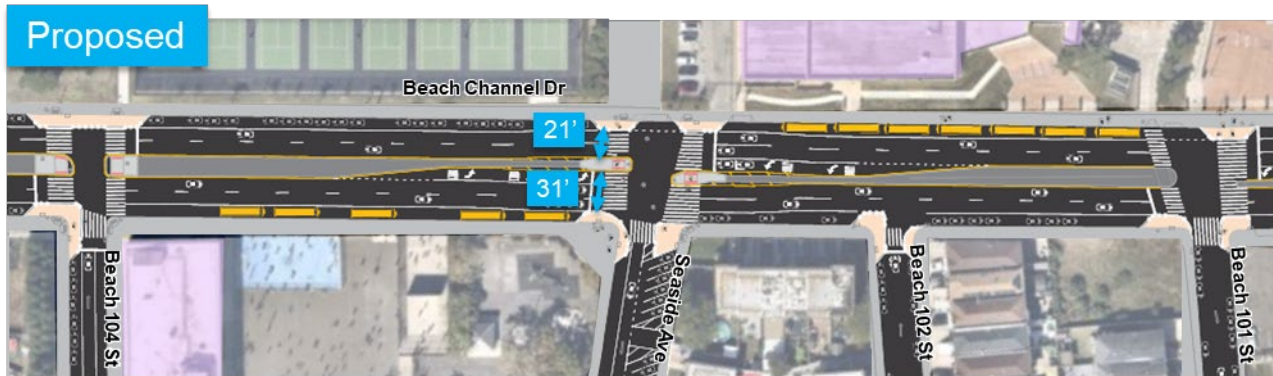
Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Proposal: Painted curb extensions



School

- Install painted curb extensions on Beach Channel Dr at Beach 98 St, Beach 101 St, Beach 102 St, Seaside Ave, Beach 104 St, and Beach 108 St and on Rockaway Fwy at Seaside Ave and Beach 104 St
- Increase pedestrian space and shorten crossing distances
- Improve visibility
- Slow turning vehicles



● = Proposed Painted Curb Extensions

Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Proposal Detail: Painted curb extensions

Can't see pedestrians
or oncoming traffic



Clear visibility of
the intersection

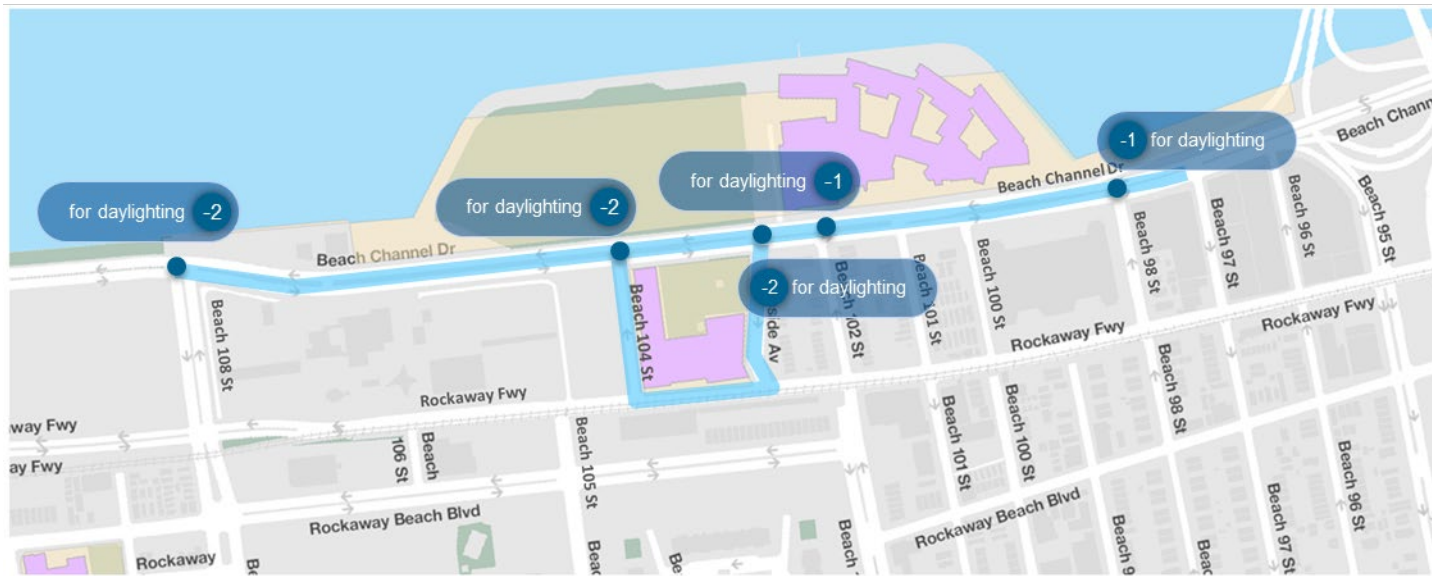


Beach Channel Dr, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St

Parking Impacts

- Total impact:

▼ **8 spots**





Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

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Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Background

- Three schools located near the intersection of Rockaway Beach Blvd and Beach 110 St
- High volume of students at arrival and dismissal time
- Received concerns from the school about vehicles doing unsafe u-turns via the slip lane



- School
- Project Area

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Injury Data

- **6** total injuries
 - 50% are pedestrian injuries
 - 1 youth injury

Injury Summary — 2021 - 2025 (5 Years)

Mode	Total Injuries	Severe Injuries	Fatalities	KSI
Pedestrian	3	0	0	0
Bicyclist	0	0	0	0
MVO	3	0	0	0
Other Motorized	0	0	0	0
Total	6	0	0	0




Source: NYPD

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Existing Conditions: Unsafe u-turns in front of the school



Rockaway Beach Blvd and Beach 110 St

 School

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

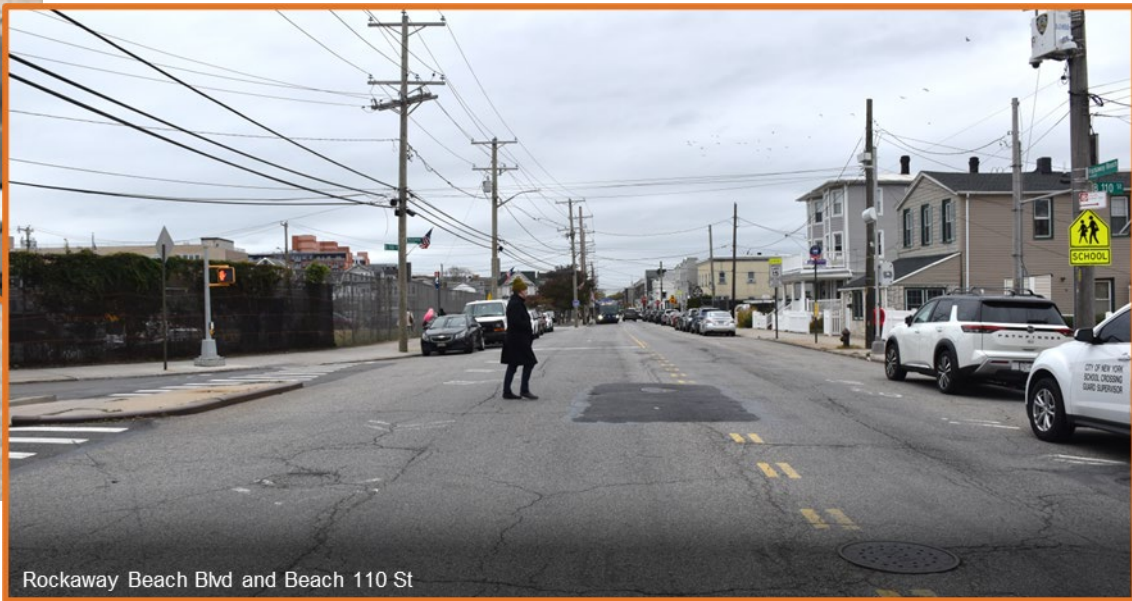
Existing Conditions: Long multi-stage crossing



Rockaway Beach Blvd and Beach 110 St

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Existing Conditions: Missing crosswalk



Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Existing Conditions: Poor visibility

Can't see
pedestrians or
oncoming traffic

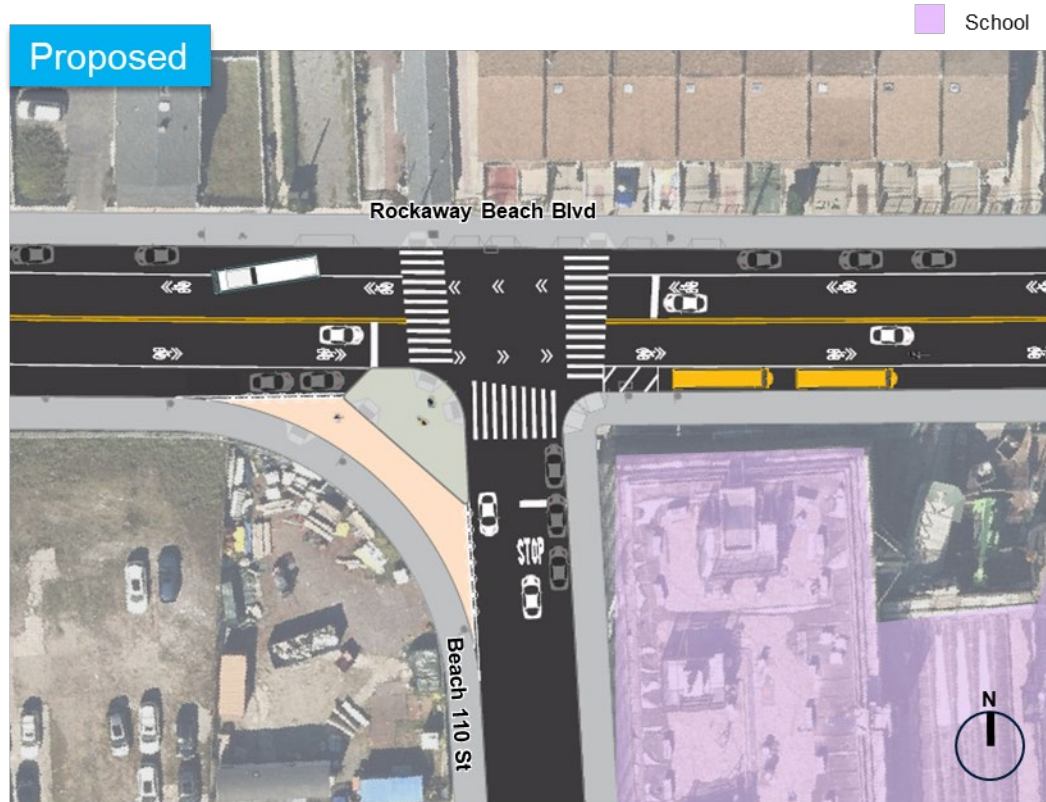


Rockaway Beach Dr and Beach 109 St

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Proposal: Close slip lane

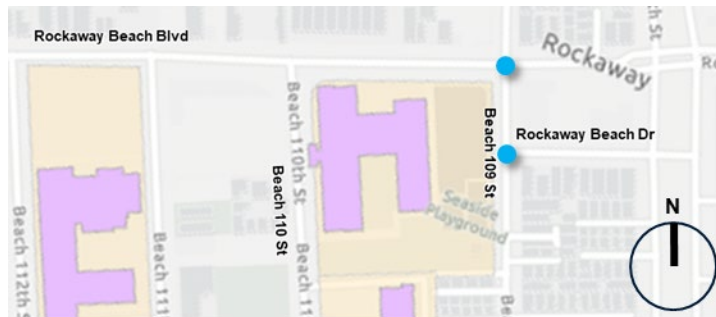
- Close the slip lane to reduce conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians and shorten pedestrian crossing
- Install missing crosswalk



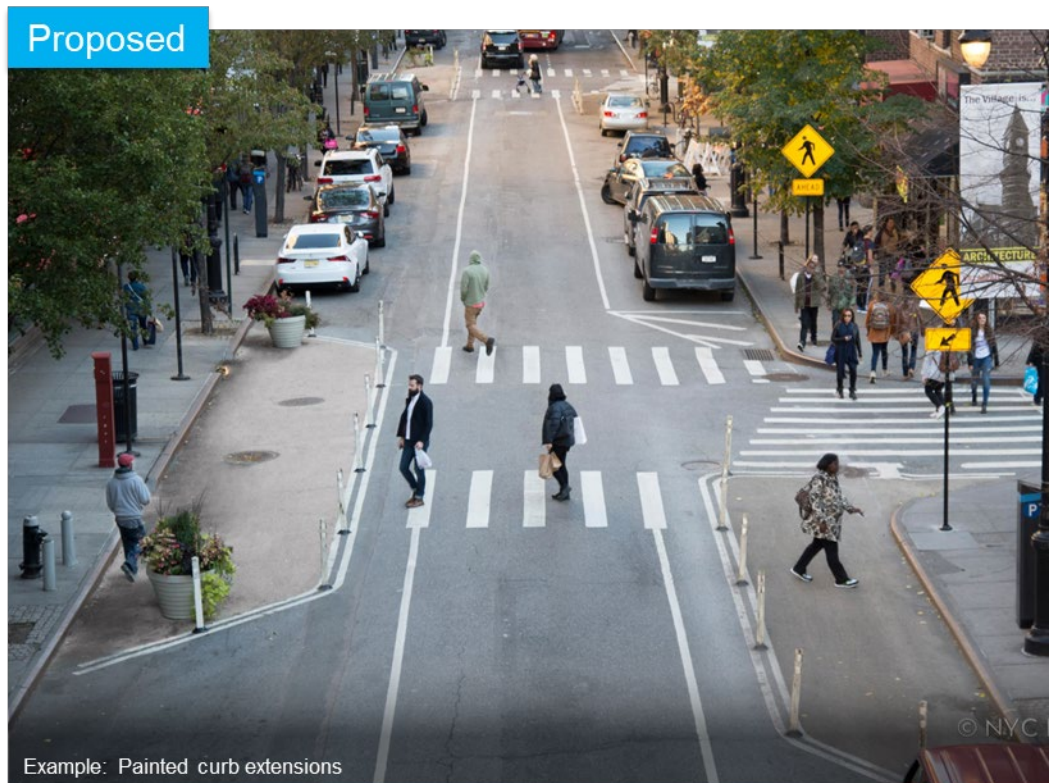
Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Proposal: Painted curb extensions

- Install painted curb extensions at Rockaway Beach Blvd and Beach 109 St and Rockaway Beach Dr and Beach 110 St
- Shorten crossing distances
- Improve visibility



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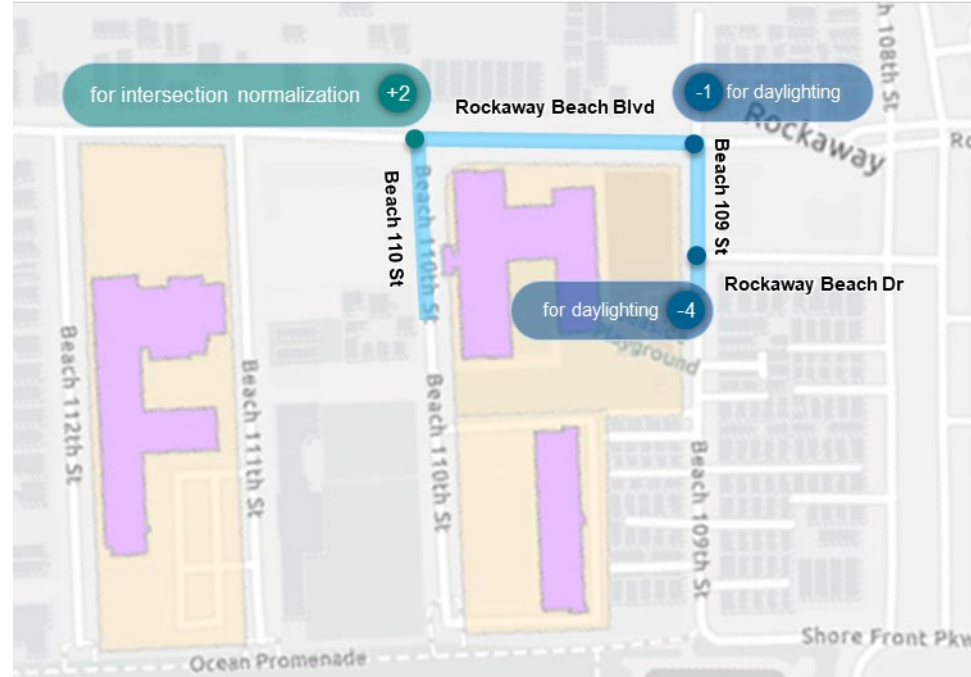
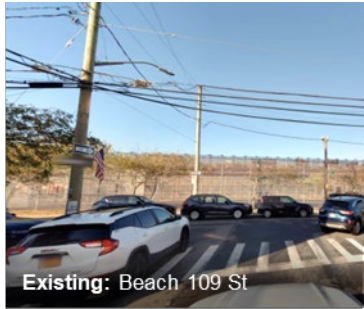
Example: Painted curb extensions

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St

Parking Impacts

- Total impact:

▼ **3 spots**



Summary

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Proposal Summary

School Safety Improvements

Beach Channel Blvd, Beach 98 St to Beach 108 St:

- Install concrete median tips and painted curb extensions to improve accessibility, shorten crossing distances, and slow turning vehicles

Rockaway Beach Blvd, Beach 109 St to Beach 110 St:

- Close the slip lane and install the missing crosswalk at Beach 110 St to reduce vehicle conflicts with pedestrians
- Install painted curb extensions on Beach 109th St to improve visibility and shorten pedestrian crossings



Thank You!

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