

Floral Park-Bellerose School District

MTA/LIRR Third Track Project

September 2018

In preparation for the impact of “Third Track Project” work in the Floral Park-Bellerose vicinity, our School District has worked with Floral Park Village, the Sewanhaka Central High School District, the MTA, and 3TC (project manager) to

1. Understand the scope and timeline of the project.
2. Understand the implications of the work for our community.
3. Advocate for the safety of our pedestrians.
4. Advocate for safe vehicular traffic.
5. Ensure that “Third Track” work has minimal effects on our schools.

Scope and Timeline

We anticipate that work will begin at the South Tyson viaduct in mid-September. Please refer to the following link for updates about upcoming work. These updates are provided by 3TC (Project Managers) to Floral Park Village. <https://fpvillage.org/lirr-third-track-information/>

Safety Assurances at South Tyson Avenue

With the support of Floral Park Village, we have been assured that

- Additional crossing guard(s) will be placed when needed at the construction site at South Tyson Avenue to ensure the safe passage of our families and children.
- All construction work will be conducted behind temporary plywood walls.
- Traffic signs will be strategically placed in the construction area to ensure vehicular safety and the safety of our pedestrians.

Bus Transportation to John Lewis Childs School

Informed of the scope of the work and its timeline, we have analyzed the impact of the work on bus transportation to and from the John Lewis Childs School.

- At this time we anticipate that we will be able to transport all children to school on time. However, in the event that the analyses of project traffic engineers proves inaccurate, we have plans to adjust bus routes to save travel time for our students.

Traffic throughout the Village of Floral Park

The Floral Park-Bellerose School District community can expect significant traffic delays. We were advised that when road closures begin at Covert Avenue, vehicles traveling northbound on Covert Avenue will be re-routed east onto Stewart Avenue and west onto Tulip Avenue. Given the volume of traffic including construction vehicles and school busses, we can assume that driving through Floral Park will take more time.