

LYDIKSEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

DROP-OFF / PICK-UP PROCEDURES

2010-2011

We are working closely with the City of Pleasanton to improve safety associated with the drop-off and pick-up of students at Lydiksen Elementary School. Our joint efforts are part of "Rides to School," the Pleasanton School Traffic Calming Program. **The following procedures will be in effect the first day of school.**

Front Parking Lot Loading Zone:

The primary unloading/loading area is within the parking lot; refer to the circulation map located on the back. Traffic monitors will be available at the beginning of the school year to orient new parents to the operation.

- Access to the loop is from the west (Foothill Road).
- Parking is prohibited between Foothill Road and the drop-off loop during posted morning and afternoon hours to provide a "stacking lane" for vehicles that want to enter the loop. Vehicles must hug the curb on Highland Oaks Drive to provide access for through traffic.
- The entrance to the drop off area consists of a wide single lane (this will provide the needed turning radius for some of the larger vehicles to make a safe turn from the curbside stacking lane into the drop-off area).
- **Vehicles are only allowed to make a right turn into the drop-off area.** Left turns into the lot from Highland Oaks Drive are prohibited to eliminate weaving at the entrance to the loop and improve on street traffic flow toward Foothill Road.

All vehicles will follow the same path along the curb on the street and in the front parking lot. Within the lot there will be 8 striped stalls where unloading/ loading will occur. Vehicles arrive at the drop off entrance and pull forward until all eight stalls are full. Teachers and the Safety Valet Patrol will assist with the loading and unloading of students to expedite the process. **Parents are advised to stay in the vehicle to reduce the time occupying the loading area.** After unloading or loading of passengers, **vehicles must wait for the vehicles in front of them to leave the loading area.** This improves the overall safety of the loop by eliminating the constant pulling forward of the rear vehicles and multiple lanes of traffic in the loop. Upon exiting the front parking lot, vehicles will be able to make a left (toward Foothill Road) or right (toward Muirwood Drive).

YKids Parking Lot & Staff Only Parking Lot:

A parking lot is located in front of YKids and available for parents to drop-off and pick-up students at YKids. This lot is only for parents accessing the YKids facility. Due to limited parking, the side lot adjacent to YKids is for STAFF ONLY. Due to visibility and safety issues within this lot, we ask that parents not use this lot for drop-off and pick-up. Vehicles stopped for a long period of time may use the available on-street parking to wait for their child. The yellow striped bus loading zone in the front of school shall be used as additional drop-off / pick-up space **only when indicated by the traffic monitor** This area is reserved for special education busses and parking is prohibited. After the busses have finished their loading and unloading, the additional space will be used to increase the number of stalls for loading and unloading.

Please remember, as adults, we model safe and considerate conduct for our children. Although your child is safely inside the school or in the vehicle, many other students are still walking around and cautious driving is needed at all times. We will be monitoring these procedures to evaluate their effectiveness in reducing traffic congestion while ensuring optimum safety for our students. ***Thank you for your cooperation and please drive safely.***

LYDIKSEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DROP-OFF / PICK-UP PROCEDURE MAP

