

LCS Elementary Parking Lot Protocol

Being a largely commuter school, this parking lot is in high demand and heavily used. Please arrive with patience and grace for each other in this space. Safety of our students is the highest priority.

Using the Parking Lot:

- Recognizing that parking stalls are limited and drop lanes quickly become congested, please consider carpooling and dropping off children closer to 8:15 to spread out the traffic. The lot is generally very smooth and clear at 8:15. It may also be helpful to know that students are not marked absent until 8:40.
- You may use either of the two lanes for entering off 48th Avenue and for proceeding to the pick-up and drop-off area (this will prevent traffic from backing up onto 48th Avenue).
- The parking lot is only one direction moving from West to East. If you are hunting for a parking spot and get to the end of the line, loop around via 48th avenue.
- Do not drop off students in the parking lot to walk by themselves to the building - please walk with them until they've crossed the crosswalk.
- Please leave the handicapped parking spaces for the many families who need these spaces for mobility concerns.
- Please do not use your cell phone while driving in the parking lot or drive-through lane. This behaviour has been observed many times and poses serious risk to those walking through the parking lot.
- Bylaws do not allow vehicles to park on 48th avenue.

The Drive-Through Lane

Drop Off

- Drop off children ONLY when you have reached the pick-up, drop-off area marked with yellow along the curb
- Pull in close to the car in front of you...we need to pull cars in tightly so that we can maximize capacity in this lane
- Your vehicle will only be loaded/unloaded once you have merged at the end of that lane. Stopping sooner blocks cars behind you and backs up 48th Avenue.

Pick up

- If you pull up to the pick-up area and your children are not present to load, you will be asked to cycle around a second time so that traffic behind you can keep moving.
- In the afternoon pick up - please do not move cones or drive past the buses - often children are still getting organized onto buses and this is a significant safety concern.
- Consider showing up a few minutes later at the end of the school day. Showing up as late as 3:10 is acceptable and encouraged. The drive thru and parking lot are smooth and clear, usually by about 3:05.

It is understandable at the beginning of a new school year that parents want to help their children adjust to the school day routine. We anticipate that a lot of you will want to accompany your children to their door. This will result in a large number of vehicles and parking will be an issue. We ask that you consider parking at the Middle High Campus or Southridge Church if possible. Other than that, please consider parking on 228th.

Beginning the 14th of September, Kindergarten and preschool students will be starting school. The parking spaces will be needed for those parents.