

This school year, develop new habits!

Parents are getting out of their cars,
reducing traffic and avoiding the carline.

Won't you join them?

Start the year off right. Choose one of these alternatives: Carpool – Walking – Bicycling – Transit or School Bus







Dear Parent,

Now is the time to begin planning your options for transporting your child to and from school. The long line of cars to pick up and drop off children creates a great deal of stress for parents, traffic congestion for everyone and often poses a danger to the children. There are other options for transporting your children to school that can benefit everyone including your children. Please explore these options and make a choice that works for you and your child.

WALKING or BIKING

If you live close enough to school, consider walking or biking with your children to school, or if they are old enough, let them walk or bike with their friends. This will allow you to spend quality time with your children while giving them some healthful exercise before class. Children arrive at school alert and ready to learn. California Department of Health Services has conducted studies that have shown that children who are physically fit score better on tests.

CARPOOL

Find other parents to share the driving of your children to school. This reduces the number of cars in the queue every day, and gives you more time to attend to other needs in the morning.

TRANSIT

If your school offers bus services or there is public transit to your school, this is an easy and safe way for your children to get to school, especially for those who live too far away to walk and bike. Please inquire at your school about bus services.

DRIVE SAFELY

If you chose to drive your children to school, please remember to obey all traffic laws and observe school guidelines for drop off and pick up. Please drive slowly and carefully. Children are unpredictable and you never know when a child might dart out in front of you. Do not block sidewalks or driveways and stop at all crosswalks. Be sure to look right before you turn right to ensure that a child is not crossing the street.

We look forward to a safe and healthy school year. Please consider one of these alternatives for transporting your child to school. Your choice will contribute to the health and safety of the whole community as well as your own child.