

SAFETY FIRST

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SAFELY DROPPING OFF & PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN

Walk or bike when possible to avoid high traffic volumes, especially in the morning.

Take the time to practice your drop off and pick up procedures before school starts.

Two, separate car routes! Parents can drop off and pick up their children on either the East Route or West Route.

The East Route (blue line) takes cars along Hygeia, Cereus, Hermes, Union and into the green Safe Loading Zone in front of the main office and then back to Hygeia the way they came in. There is **no left turn** out of the Safe Loading Zones to prevent traffic jams. There is also no going south on Union beyond the turning point.

The West Route (orange line) takes cars from the north-bound lane on Vulcan into the green Safe Loading Zone in the Kinder Lot, a left onto Union and then back out to Vulcan. There is **no right turn** onto Union from the Kinder Lot exit. Orange cones will block this route.

Queuing on the West Route (orange line) can only begin at dismissal time (2:20 PM M-Th; 12:45 PM F) to prevent blocking of traffic onto Vulcan. Our Sheriff has warned that queuing cars on Vulcan may be ticketed!

JOIN THE PTA!

The PTA is committed to the safety and security of ALL of our children and want your input and support.

If you have any questions, please email pec.tsc@gmail.com. All constructive feedback is encouraged.

PAUL ECKE CENTRAL: SAFER FOR ALL

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

Welcome to a great school year! Years of hard work, collaboration and advocacy means we now have a safer drop off/pick up experience at PEC. There is a stop sign at Cereus & Hygeia as well as at Vulcan & Union. The Orange Line has a queueing lane on Vulcan to get cars off the road. On the Blue Line, the no parking zone on the north side of Cereus **and now Union Street** means cars can flow better and kids walking and biking to school are safer. We are thankful for this increase in safety for our families!

Now it is time for us as a school community to step up. Try to walk and bike to school if feasible. Carpool with other neighboring families. Let's be kind to each other, our neighbors and planet.

The Safe Drop Off & Pick Up Routes will take effect starting the first day of school, Monday, August 21, 2017.

Thank you in advance for your help in improving the safety of our children!

Kind regards,

Wesley Sechrest

Wesley Sechrest, Principal

Kelly DaSilva

Kelly DaSilva, PTA President

SCHOOL SAFETY DOS AND DON'TS

DO USE DESIGNATED SAFE ZONES

Please wait to drop off and pick up your children until you reach the green Safe Loading Zone.

DO PARK PROPERLY

Please use designated parking spaces and public parking. Parking up at Orpheus Park and walking down can be a good alternative for many families.

DO ROLE MODEL GOOD BEHAVIOR

As we transition to this new traffic flow, please be respectful of your safety guards, parent volunteers and safety patrol who may give guidance on the appropriate routes to take.

DO PRACTICE

Please take the time before school starts to practice how you will drop off and pick up.

DO SHARE THIS INFORMATION

Please share your this letter with anyone involved with PEC drop off and pick up.

DO BE PATIENT

The transition will take some getting used to. We will collect feedback, review over fall break and make any necessary changes.

DO BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

The business parking lots on Vulcan are not public lots and cannot be used for school parking. Neighboring business will start towing cars, at your expense, should you park in their lots. Also please do not block neighbors' driveways.

DON'T "JUMP THE LINE"

Trying to cut in is disrespectful, dangerous and will be cited.

DON'T HEAD SOUTH ON VULCAN

To arrive at drop off from Leucadia Blvd., please take Hygeia to either Cereus (for the East Route) or to Orpheus and then northbound on Vulcan (for the West Route).

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