

# Attachment A

## **Cascadia Elementary School** **Traffic & Access Management Plan**

The new Cascadia Elementary School provides an on-site parking lot and a family-vehicle load/unload area with access from N 90<sup>th</sup> Street. This street is a busy arterial that also serves as an access route for nearby North Seattle College. As a result, there is likely to be congestion during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal periods. The on-site drop-off/pick-up area is limited and school bus transportation is strongly encouraged as is carpool and non-auto modes such as walking and biking.

The intent of this plan is to help minimize the traffic generation of the new Cascadia Elementary School and to direct vehicular traffic flows in an orderly and organized manner. The school shall implement the following plan measures, and include information about appropriate drop-off/pick-up behavior in family information packets and communications.

### **SCHOOL BUS LOAD and UNLOAD**

**School buses** will load and unload students along the designated curb side zones on the west side of Wallingford Avenue N on the east side of the new school building. Signs will be posted that state “School Bus Only” with the hours of enforcement shown.

**Special Education School Buses** may also load/unload in this area or may use the main automobile load/unload zone during times other than the peak arrival and dismissal periods.

### **DIRECTIONS FOR FAMILY-VEHICLE DROP-OFF & PICK-UP**

Please use private vehicles only as a last resort. However, if driving to school is **absolutely necessary**, then:

- For students being dropped off or picked up at the on-site load/unload zone, approach the school using N 90<sup>th</sup> Street from either direction. Turn into the site and drop-off or pick-up your student(s) at the curb-side load area. Exit the site as a **right-turn only** from the driveway on N 90<sup>th</sup> Street (*see attached map*).
- Remember, it is not recommended that students arrive or be present on school property before playground supervision begins at 7:35 A.M.
- Since Cascadia Elementary School hours will be staggered from the hours for the adjacent Robert Eagle Staff Middle School to the west by an hour or more, student load/unload activities can also occur at that adjacent school site.
- The Licton Springs K-8 parking lot (far western lot) can also be used as an alternate location for on-site load/unload.
- There may be a few on-street parking spaces along the frontages of the two schools on the north side of N 90<sup>th</sup> Street for load/unload during morning arrival and dismissal periods.
- If you choose to use on-street parking located on the south side of N 90<sup>th</sup> Street or south of the school, students must use the designated marked and signed crosswalks and/or cross at a location where crossing guards are located.

## PLEASE KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE!

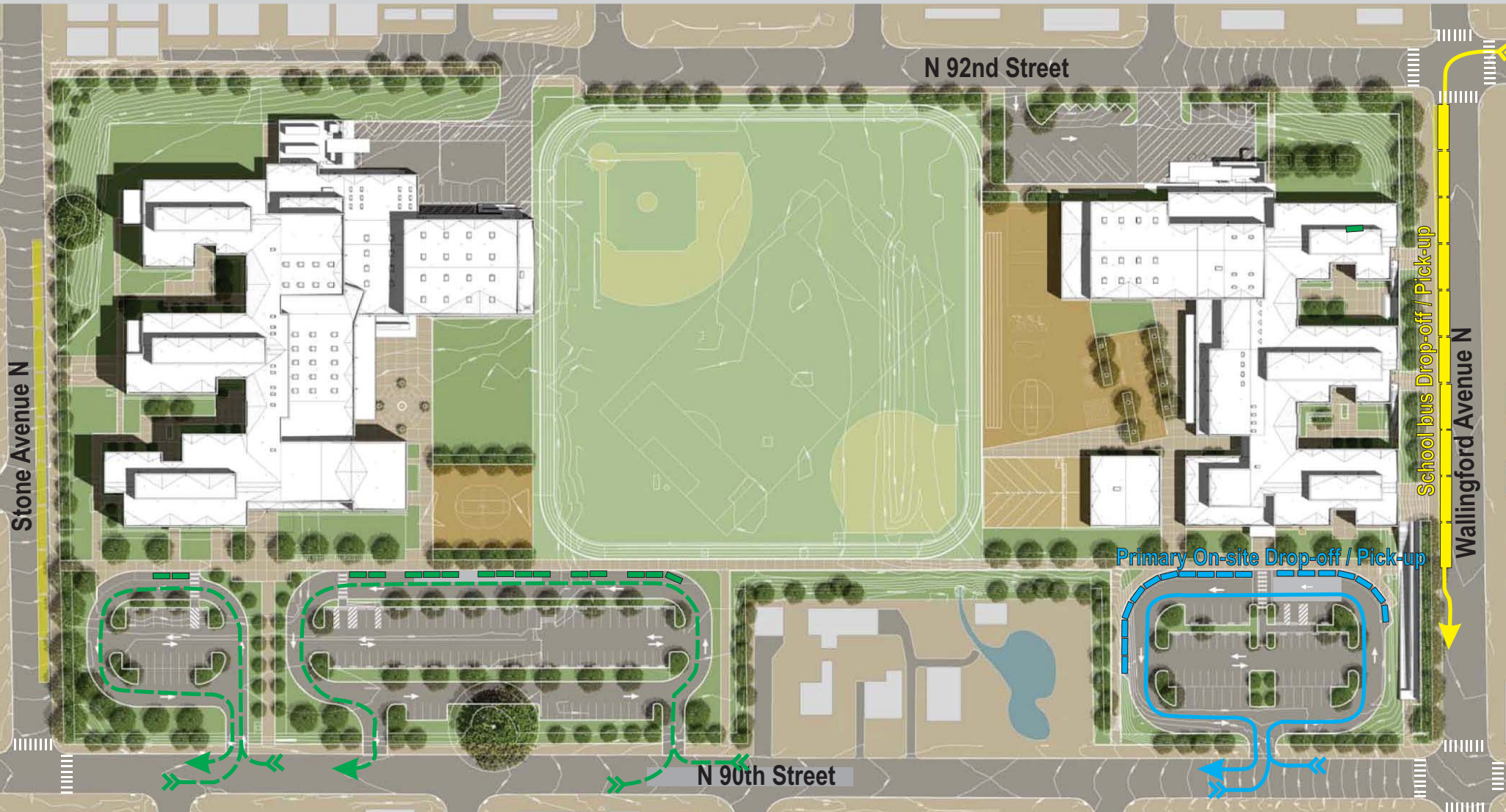
Follow these rules when you travel to and from school.


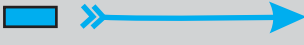

- **DO** arrive between 7:35 and 7:55 A.M. for morning drop-off.
- Pick-Up begins at 2:25 P.M. (1:10 P.M. on Early-Release Wednesdays) Please **DO NOT** come in the building and wait for students before then; please wait outside.
- **DO** cross only at crosswalks and intersection corners.
- **If using on-street parking, DO** find a legal parking space and ensure that your student uses appropriate crosswalk locations.
- **DO** stay with your car at all times in the drop-off/pick-up area in front of the school or within designated load/unload areas.
- **DO NOT** let students cross in the middle of a block.
- **DO NOT** park in the drop-off/pick-up area.
- **DO NOT** use our neighbors' driveways to park or to turn around.
- **DO NOT** block driveways or alleys near the school.
- **DO NOT** stop or park within 20 feet of a crosswalk.
- **DO NOT** park or drop-off in any designated bus zone (along Wallingford Avenue N) during restricted times so buses can arrive and depart in a safe and efficient manner.

**Encourage** your student to ride the bus, walk, or bike to school. **Carpool** with other families if driving to school is necessary. **Volunteer** to help organize walking school buses, identify safe routes for biking or provide supervision of students walking to school.

Contact Anna Birinyi, principal, with traffic concerns by phone at (206) 413-3200 or by email at [aebirinyi@seattleschools.org](mailto:aebirinyi@seattleschools.org)

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- Key:
-  School bus access route and load/unload zone
  -  Primary family-vehicle route for on-site load / unload zones
  -  Alternate overflow family-vehicle routes for load / unload