

Olympic Hills Elementary Traffic Circulation Plan

General traffic safety reminders

- NE 135th Street will be **one-way** eastbound from 37th to 39th Avenues during drop-off hours
- Please **do not make U-turns**. This resulted in many near-misses last year. Take the time to go around the block and keep everyone safe.
- There will be no parking on the north side of NE 135th St during drop off hours.

Drop Off (yellow area on the map)

The drop off zone is along NE 135th Street, in the pullout area by the front steps.

- This area is **only** for dropping off. Parents should exit their car only to open doors, give hugs and go.
- If you want to walk your child in, please park in one of the designated park and walk areas.
- Please wait patiently for the line to move forward, then pull forward as far as possible.
- NE 135th Street is one-way eastbound in front of the drop off zone. As you leave the drop off zone, please continue to 39th Ave north (left) or south (right) to exit the neighborhood.
- Please do NOT drop off your student on the north side of 135th, opposite the drop off zone. It is very dangerous for children to cross this street. Be patient and use the pullout area on the south side of the street to keep your student safe.
- Please do not use the staff parking lot to drop off students. This small lot also serves as our service and delivery entrance and cannot accommodate additional traffic.

Park and Walk (green areas on the map)

There are several areas of street parking around the school grounds where you can park to walk your child into the building.

- Please park at least 30 feet from intersections and crosswalks so children can cross the street safely
- Please be courteous and do not park on the private property of neighbors' homes.
- Please do not park in front of fire hydrants or in disabled parking
- Please do not use the staff parking lot. This also serves as our service and delivery entrance and unattended vehicles can block the area.

Bicycle Parking (purple box)

- Bicycle parking is located next to the covered assembly area.
- Students arriving by bicycle are asked to dismount and walk once they enter the school area where other students are walking.
- Students bicycling to school are reminded to wear a helmet, obey all traffic laws and be especially careful during the busy drop off and pick up traffic around the school.
- Students should use lights if they are riding in dark conditions. White on front, red on rear.

Walking

- We encourage parents to accompany children who walk to school, due to lack of safe crossings and sidewalks around the school.
- Students should use reflectors or lights if they are walking in dark conditions. Reflectors are available from the Safe Routes to School Committee.
- Starting in October, we will be establishing weekly walking school bus groups, where a group of students walk together, accompanied by at least two parent volunteers.