

Student Arrival and Dismissal Safety Plan (Walking and Biking)

Avenue A – Designated Truck Route

The school is committed to ensuring the safety of all students, particularly those arriving and departing on foot or by bicycle, given that Avenue A is a designated truck route with increased commercial traffic. The following safety measures will be implemented to mitigate risk and promote a secure environment during arrival and dismissal times.

1. Supervision and Staffing

The school will assign trained crossing guards at all primary student crossing points along Avenue A and surrounding intersections. Crossing guards will be present during designated arrival and dismissal windows and will be equipped with safety vests, stop paddles, and communication devices. In addition, school personnel, including administrators and support staff, will be strategically positioned along student pathways to provide active supervision and assist with safe crossings and traffic flow.

2. Traffic Control and Coordination

The school will coordinate with local authorities, as needed, to review traffic patterns and ensure appropriate safety measures are in place. Internal procedures will include staggered arrival and dismissal times to reduce congestion and limit student exposure to peak traffic conditions. Designated walking and biking routes will be identified to guide students along the safest paths to and from campus.

3. Signage and Visibility Enhancements

Clearly visible signage will be installed in and around the school zone, including “School Zone,” “Reduced Speed,” “Truck Route Awareness,” and pedestrian crossing signs. Temporary signage and cones will be utilized during arrival and dismissal to further alert drivers. High-visibility crosswalk markings will be maintained at all designated crossing areas.

4. Student and Parent Education

The school will implement a parent and student orientation program focused on safety expectations and procedures for walking and biking. This will include guidance on designated routes, crossing

protocols, helmet use for bicyclists, and the importance of adhering to staff directions. Ongoing communication will be provided through handbooks, meetings, and digital platforms to reinforce safety practices.

5. Continuous Monitoring and Improvement

School leadership will regularly review safety procedures, observe arrival and dismissal operations, and make adjustments as needed. Feedback from parents, staff, and local partners will be used to strengthen the plan and ensure continuous improvement.

Through these coordinated efforts, the school will maintain a safe, structured, and well-supervised environment that prioritizes student safety despite the challenges associated with a designated truck route.