# SAFETY NEAR HILLVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### **Drivers**

- 1. Drop off/pick up: Avoid using Olive St. It is a major route for student bicyclists, skateboarders, and pedestrians, who must travel the busy street without sidewalks or bike lanes. Likewise, avoid using the side street of Stanford Ave. to keep Olive St. safe for students.
- 2. One alternative to using the campus carpool lane is to park on Politzer Dr., being mindful of the students walking and biking along the road.

Better yet, time your drop offs/pick ups 10 minutes before/after the bell times, when you'll have the carpool lane mostly to yourself. The Homework Club starts right after school in the library, so your student can always hang out there.

## **Bicycles and Pedestrians**

- 3. Santa Cruz Ave. is packed with students on foot and on bike. Bicyclists riding next to each other should be very careful to stay within the bike lane. In the downtown area, you must get off and walk your bike if you're using the sidewalk -- it's the law.
- **4.** After school lets out, bicyclists heading east on Menlo Ave. (towards El Camino Real) should stay on the south side of the road -- even if you are riding on the sidewalk.

If you are on the south sidewalk, you are going with the flow of traffic. Drivers turning from and onto Menlo Ave. are not looking for bicyclists coming from the north sidewalk and there have been some near-misses

# **WALKING AND BIKING SAFETY**

Stop at the curb's edge. Look left, right, and behind you.

Be Predictable. Follow all traffic laws and stop at stop signs. **Be aware of traffic.** Ride single file in the direction of traffic. Use lights when riding at night.

## **Use Hand Signals**







# Make Eye Contact with drivers.



Cross with heads up and look around.



### **Wear Your Helmet**

Your helmet should cover your forehead and rest just above your eyebrows.

Straps should form a "V" under ears when buckled.



**Tighten the strap** so it is snug under your chin.



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# HILLVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL **SUGGESTED** WALK AND ROLL MAP



The City of Menlo Park supports children and families in walking and bicycling to school through safety education, fun events, and traffic safety improvements around schools.

#### **Learn more and get involved:**

Menlo Park City School District: district.mpcsd.org/Page/125

City of Menlo Park Safe Routes to School: menlopark.gov/saferoutestoschool

Parents for Safe Routes: parents4saferoutes.org

