



Traffic Guidelines 2022-23

Managing traffic safety continues to be a major priority at Vancouver College.

Kindergarten to Grade 3 parents are invited to park along 37th Avenue and walk with their sons to the new Main Elementary School entrance as described in the Elementary School Welcome Package. While on the Vancouver College campus, these parents are asked to follow social distancing guidelines and leave immediately after dropping off their sons. Parents are invited to pick up their sons at their scheduled time by waiting in a socially distanced manner in the courtyard.

Grade 4 to Grade 12 parents dropping and picking up their sons from the Vancouver College Campus must remain in their vehicles and be asked to follow the Traffic Guidelines below.

Biking, walking, and private transportation to and from school are encouraged.

VC Traffic Safety Guidelines



Parents **must** follow these guidelines during school drop off/pick up to help us maintain a safe travel situation for all of the students.

- 1 - Parents of Kindergarten to Grade 3** students who are parking and walking their sons to campus: **park on 37th Ave.**
- 2 - Parents who are dropping off northbound:** enter **Cartier St. northbound from 41st Ave**, drop off at the direction of the volunteers and exit at 37th Ave.
- 3 - Parents who are dropping off southbound:** use **Hudson St. and enter southbound from 37th Ave**, drop off at the direction of the volunteers and exit at 41st Ave.

- Do not enter the pickup/drop off zone against this one-way flow. Dropping your son off on the wrong side of the street creates a dangerous situation for students and staff.

- Do not park in the alleys around the school or block residential driveways, signs and curbs. Doing so impacts our neighbours and does not contribute to our safe and caring school community.

- Do not enter/use the streets marked with an "x" during drop off/pick up times.

Congestion is eased significantly by arriving early, please do your part.



Drop Off & Pick Up Zones

There are only two access points to the school for students:

- on the east side of Cartier Street for vehicles travelling northbound

- on the west side of Hudson Street for vehicles travelling southbound

Please use the access point based on the direction you are approaching the school. A friendly reminder that the staff parking lot is not a drop-off zone for students.

West 38th Avenue between Hudson and Cartier Streets should not be used as this must be kept clear for Emergency and Fire vehicles at all times.

Parking

- The Fire Department advises that it is dangerous to stop or park on the south side of 38th Avenue to drop off or pick up students, as this hinders the exiting of their trucks from the fire station.
- The school parking lot is for staff use only. There are to be NO drop-offs or pick-ups in the school parking lot.
- While some on-street parking is available for vehicles, drivers are reminded not to park in front of homes in our neighbourhood and are encouraged to park along W 37th Ave.

Please familiarize yourself with the Vancouver College traffic guidelines and the City of Vancouver Parking Bylaws, a copy of which can be obtained from the City Clerk (604-873-7276) or by e-mail: info@vancouver.ca. Cars inappropriately or illegally parked on residential streets may be ticketed and towed. Please be respectful of our neighbours.

Ticketing Issues

We know that parents dropping off their sons on the east side of Cartier Street are being ticketed by the City of Vancouver. To prevent ticketing:

- Do NOT stop in the red "Ticketing Area" shown in the picture below. *(Between two No Stopping signs, this area is a 25-meter-long stretch in front of the Manrell Hall loading zone.)*
- If you are driving north along the east side of Cartier Street, "Safe Zones" include:
 - A 115-meter long stretch runs alongside O'Hagan field *(begins just after 41st Ave)* to the start of the "Ticketing Area."
 - An 80-meter-long stretch that runs north of the "Ticketing Area" between 39th Ave and 38th Ave
- If you are in a "Safe Zone," please do your best to pull up to the corner of Cartier and 38th to give other parents behind you space to stop.

- If you are south of the "Ticketing Area" (*closer to 41st Ave*) and there is no room to pull ahead, feel free to drop your son off alongside O'Hagan field.

