

HART MIDDLE SCHOOL

TRAFFIC 2024-25 ... Start of School

Traffic will be very difficult during the first day/week. The good news is we do have our NEW back parking lot which also has a drive-thru and plenty of parking.

We want to ensure all of our students are safe.

Please see the instructions below:

- a. We **strongly encourage students to walk** or ride a bike/scooter/skateboard to school (helmets required), or take the bus.
- b. All bike racks are now located in the back of campus off Gibraltar and by the baseball field/Portables. **Bikers may enter by back areas off Gibraltar, West Lost Positas, or Hacienda.** For safety, **we are not allowing** any bikes, scooters, etc. riders to enter near the front of school. This area is too impacted by traffic and construction.
- c. We strongly encourage parents to use the NEW back parking lot drive-thru (off Gibraltar).
- d. Please **drive slowly** and follow directions from the staff in the parking lot.
- e. While in our parking lot, please pull forward while waiting. Curbside (right lane) is designated for waiting, the left lane is for passing/exiting the parking lot. Please take turns merging towards the exit. At the exit, you must make a right turn and proceed north. (See detailed instructions below)
- f. Parents DO NOT leave your car, as only students are to enter campus.
- g. **Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES can parents/guardians park or wait in ANY of the surrounding business parking lots for any amount of time or on any day.** Police will be present and distribute tickets to violators.
- h. At the end of the day, the traffic congestion occurs for only a fifteen-minute period in the afternoon. If possible, arriving ten minutes after the final bell would not only minimize your delay; it would reduce the overall congestion at the school. However, please remember to pick up your child in a timely manner.
- i. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: school hours are 8:45 am-3:00 pm. And Wednesday: School hours are 9:36 am.- 3:00 pm.

Drop-off/Pick-up Procedures

Once in the lot, a school volunteer will direct vehicles to drop-off loops and assist in the drop-off and pick-up to reduce your delay and should be treated with courtesy.

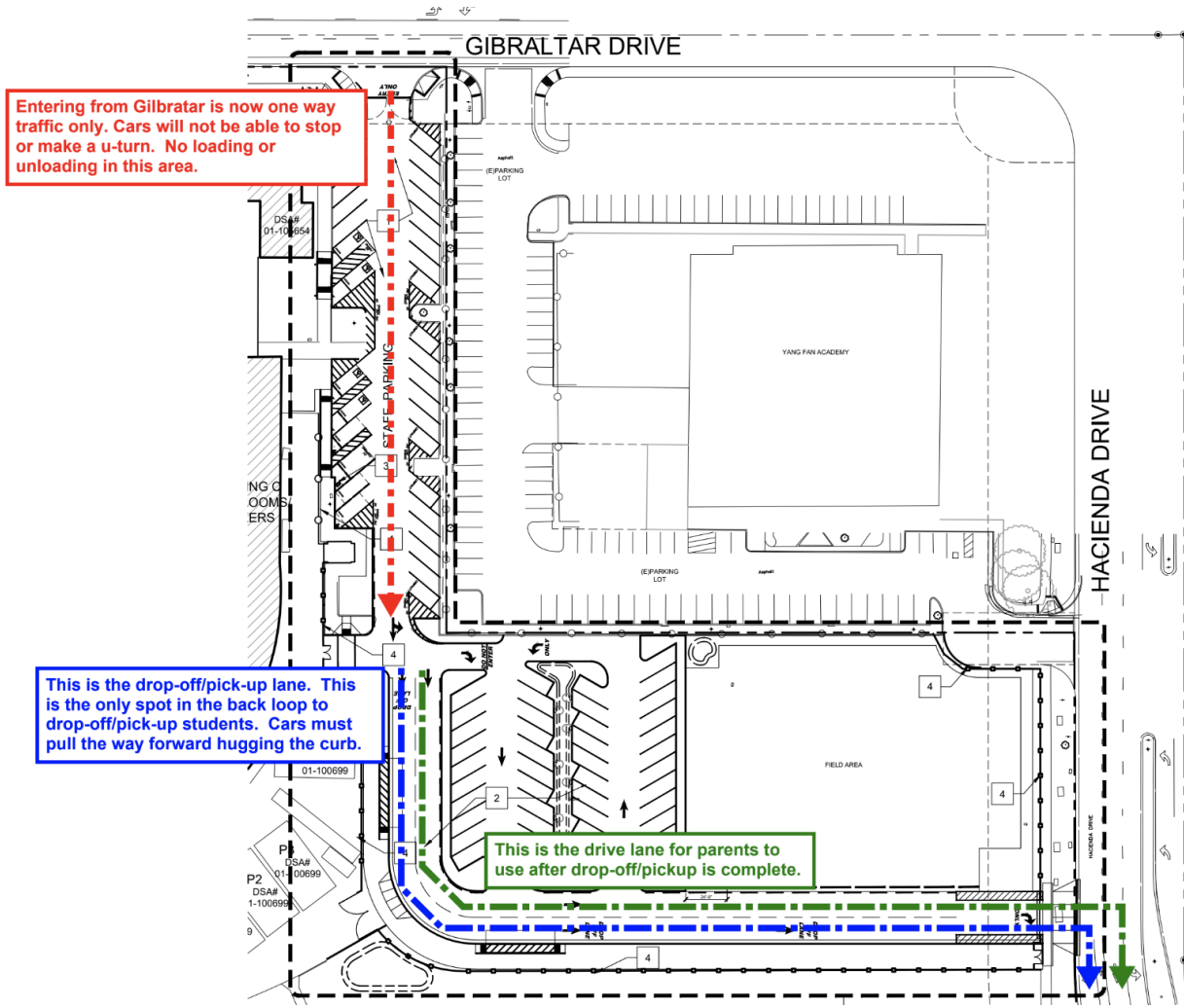
When you reach the loading/unloading areas (in front of the gym, front office, or back lot/portables), **please pull forward as far as possible** then load/unload. After everyone is safely in/out of the vehicle, carefully pull out of your spot into the left lane and proceed to exit at the north end of the parking lot. Please remember that, although your students are safely inside the school or in the vehicle, many other students are still walking around and cautious driving is needed.

At the exit, you must make a right turn. Left and U-turns are prohibited at the intersections.

Option 1 - BACK LOT : (please use this entrance)

All vehicles must enter at the Gibraltar Drive entrance. Vehicles may enter this driveway from the eastbound or westbound lanes. Please **DO NOT BLOCK** the bus lanes.

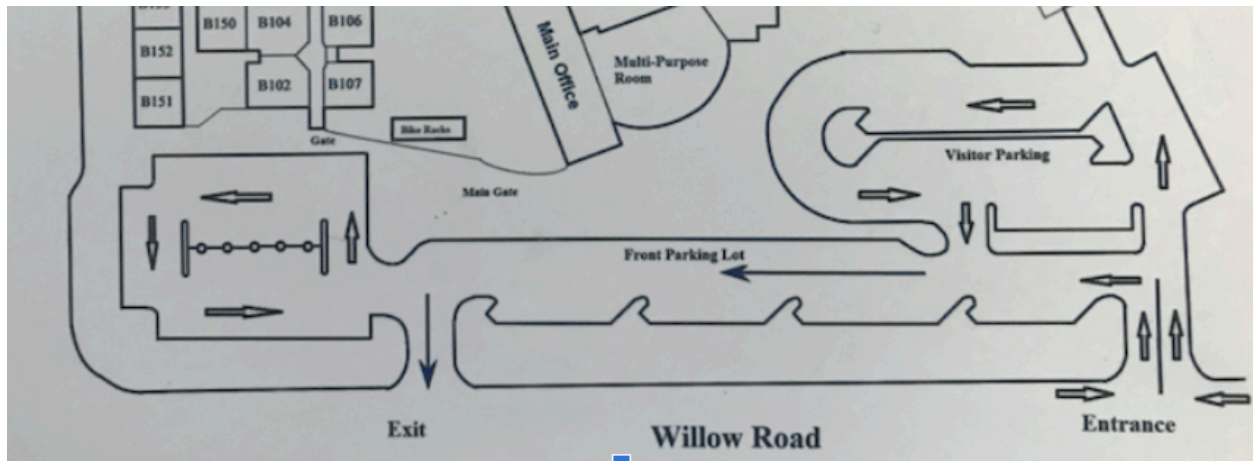
Please pull all the way forward to the “Welcome Back to School” sign.



Option 2 - FRONT LOT:

All vehicles must enter at the south Willow Road entrance. Vehicles may enter this driveway from the northbound or southbound lanes. The stacking of northbound vehicles (coming from West Las Positas) in the through lane is not allowed. All vehicles that are not able to access the parking lot without stopping in the travel lane (because the entrance to the lot is full) will need to circle the block. Stopping on the street is prohibited and strictly enforced.

Traffic flow for the front parking lot. Please **DO NOT BLOCK** the left (passing) lane.



Reminder to always drive slowly in and around our campus.

Thank you Huskies!

Ms. Fields

Hart Principal