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Dear Camp Hill MS/HS Families,

I hope this message finds you well. On behalf of the Camp Hill Middle and High School administration, thank you for your continued support and partnership.

We are writing to inform you of a new safety expectation that will take effect at the start of the 2025–26 school year. Beginning this fall, **all 6th-12th grade students will be required to dismount from bicycles, scooters, e-scooters, onewheels, and similar devices upon entering campus sidewalks and parking lots**.

This expectation is being implemented in response to growing concerns—and compelling national and international data—regarding student injuries linked to these devices. Recent studies show a sharp rise in e-scooter-related injuries among youth. For example:

- A national study found that **pediatric e-scooter injuries rose by 71% in a single year**, with a significant number involving **head trauma and unhelmeted riders** (EurekAlert, 2023).
- In Australia, hospitals reported that **1 in 10 e-scooter injuries among children were life-threatening**, and nearly half involved no helmet use (The Guardian, 2024). Finland recently banned e-scooter use for children under 15 after reporting **over 600 child injuries and several fatalities in five years** (Reuters, 2025).
- In Denver, emergency rooms treated over **2,400 e-scooter injuries in three years**, with many requiring surgery or hospitalization (University of Colorado School of Medicine, 2024).
- And closer to home, a new bill will be introduced in the Pennsylvania State Senate that speaks to the growing safety concerns of e-scooters following a fatal accident in Delaware County involving middle school students.

Our primary responsibility is to improve student and district employee safety . By asking students to walk their devices and bikes once they enter school grounds, we aim to reduce the risk of collisions, falls, and unintended harm—particularly during crowded arrival, lunch and dismissal times. Additionally, students are encouraged to wear helmets and ride singularly on these respective modes of transportation.

Similar to Eisenhower Elementary, these restrictions will apply during school hours, **from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**, and students who do not follow the expectation will be addressed in accordance with our student Code of Conduct.

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For additional information regarding Pennsylvania state laws pertaining to micromobility please follow the link below.

PA Micromobility Fact Sheet

Please process this expectation with your student prior to the start of the academic year. This expectation is applicable to middle school and high school students. We appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to protect the well-being of all students, staff, and community on campus.

Sincerely,

Nick Snider, MS Principal

Mark Ziegler, HS Principal

Sherri McNamara, MS/HS Assistant Principal