# **Traffic Policy**

### **Traffic Policy & Plan**

### Loveland Classical Schools' Traffic

Policy serves to maintain and support the safety of those accessing LCS' campus and to accommodate travel demand. The tenets that support this goal include the following:

- Provide a safe environment for LCS students, parents and staff
- Provide sufficient capacity for all traffic into and out of campus
- Maintain adequate emergency vehicle access

Parents and students are expected to uphold the schools' virtues: honesty, responsibility, service, perseverance, loyalty, forgiveness, integrity, courage, humility, prudence and temperance; at all times—including during pick up and drop off.

### **Traffic Control Coordinator**

Loveland Classical Schools will appoint a staff member prior to the start of each school year to act as Traffic Control Coordinator. This person will be responsible for ensuring that the traffic plan is being properly implemented. All traffic concerns will be directed to the coordinator.

#### **Mandatory Traffic Meeting**

Each family is encouraged to attend one of the two traffic orientation meetings offered at LCS each school year. The meetings will cover traffic f low, rules, traffic concerns, and all other pertinent details. Contact the Traffic Control Coordinator at Loveland Classical Schools by calling 970.541.1507, email traffic@lovelandclassical.org, or refer to the website at www.lovelandclassical.org for more information and a calendar of events.

#### Carpooling

LCS encourages parents to utilize carpooling whenever possible to mitigate the travel demand into and out of campus. The Traffic Control Coordinator arranges carpools.

# **Community Traffic Meetings**

Loveland Classical Schools hosts two traffic meetings each year for the community. The meetings provide an opportunity to voice any concerns with current traffic and discuss resolutions to those concerns offered at LCS each school year. Meetings will be posted on the

LCS website and in the newsletter, which is distributed to parents of currently enrolled students.

### **Traffic Policies Agreement**

Parents are agreeing to abide by these policies at all times as evidenced by their signature of the LCS Handbook.

#### Safety Rules and General Guidelines

Absolutely no parking (whether temporary or permanent) is allowed on 14th Street SW or in adjacent neighborhoods. Parents may park in designated areas on LCS property. Both police and LCS staff will enforce this. For the safety of our students and the driving public at large, no one is allowed to stop or get out of their vehicle on 14th Street SW.

When using the drop-off and pick-up lane, please pull up as far as possible.

Staff and volunteers may be available to assist your child with exiting and entering the vehicle. Follow all directions and signals of LCS staff and traffic volunteers. Parking is only permissible in designated parking spaces.

You must circle back around to the end of the carpool lane if you need to pick up someone, who is not immediately available.

Cell phone use is not allowed while in the carpool lanes.

Have your child(ren) ready to load and unload quickly. It is suggested that your child(ren) load and unload on the passenger side of the vehicle.

Keep your child's backpack and belongings for school in the car so that the trunk does not have to be opened.

Lines are minimal 10-15 minutes prior to the start of school, but expect delays and be patient if you are arriving only a few minutes before the school start time.

Tardiness is not an acceptable excuse because your vehicle is delayed by carpool traffic. Note that children are tardy if they are not at their desks and ready to learn by the school start time.

## Traffic Plan

Upon enrollment parents and students must sign the Basic Information and Acknowledgment Form stating they will abide by the traffic polices.

#### Safety

The safety of students is a primary concern of LCS. The most common and frequent threat to safety is the heavy automobile traffic during student drop-off and pick-up times. We must drive safely and slowly and only drop students in designated areas. Pull forward as much as possible to be courteous to others. Please do not park in the Blackbird Knolls subdivision, which is directly south of the school, or stop on 14th Street SW at any time. No exceptions. We would like to exemplify the virtues of the school and respect the community.

It is vital for the students' safety that all parents abide by the traffic policies set forth in the Loveland Classical Schools Handbook and in periodic communications from the school. It is necessary for everyone to follow the instructions and directions of school staff and volunteers, who are directing traffic. Failure to do so not only compromises the safety of the students, but also undermines in a direct and visible way the values we are teaching the children, including integrity and responsibility. Parents must set the example of obedience to the rules.

Parents and students must also agree and sign the Code of Conduct, which includes:

## **Traffic Safety**

Drivers and students will abide by traffic policies set forth in the Loveland Classical Schools Handbook. Failure to do so not only compromises the safety of the students but also undermines in a direct and visible way the values we are teaching to the students including respect and responsibility. Drivers will set the example of obedience to the rules.

Parents are encouraged to attend a mandatory meeting to discuss the traffic policy, rules, and guidelines.

On-going the Traffic Coordinator will make regular (at least bi-monthly) assessments of the traffic issues and concerns, and report to the Principal who will determine the course of corrective action.

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