

Livermore High School Interim Parking Lot
Facts and Questions

Updates will be provided

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Is it possible to improve the long-standing traffic issue on School Street?	In an effort to reduce the traffic on School Street it will be posted with “no drop-off or pickup” signs. The school is developing plans to have alternate ways for parents to drop off and pick up their students.
Additional stop signs at are requested: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 way stop at School Street and Fourth Street • Stop at Pestana and School Street 	The City and the District will work together to explore ways to improve traffic safety around the school, which could result in additional stop signs in the area.
Are there ways to slow down neighborhood traffic, for example, speedbumps?	The City and the District will work together to explore the possibility of using speed lumps to improve traffic safety.
How many trees will be removed from the interim parking area?	18 of the 53 trees on the lot will need to be removed. Staff has worked diligently to minimize this number. Trees that need to be removed will be replaced 2:1.
Is the interim lot really temporary?	Yes. The Board approved this as a temporary lot. The state agency responsible for design review / approval also approved the lot as temporary. The lot will be returned to program use once construction is complete. Scheduled completion is winter 2021/2022.

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Students parking on neighborhood streets sometimes block driveways.	The District believes this will be improved with the interim parking. This lot will provide parking on this side of campus closer to student's classrooms. Students will also be reminded at the beginning of the year about the expectations regarding off-site parking.
Morning traffic creates neighborhood congestion.	Traffic around all schools can be difficult. The new sports complex has a dedicated drop-off and expanded parking on School Street. Upon completion, these improvements will help ease some of the traffic issues.
Will the North parking lot and School Street parking be by permit only? Can specific lots be assigned?	Yes. All lots will be permit parking and will be assigned. Permits will be issued to seniors first as they have the privilege of leaving campus for lunch.
Has the District reviewed alternative parking like the Railroad Avenue parking garage and St. Michael's Church parking area?	Yes. However, the garage on Railroad is used by the Ace train and local businesses, and does not have the additional capacity necessary for student parking. In addition, the District has also reviewed adjacent church parking, and although St. Michaels' is happy to help out with "event" parking, they do not have the ability to meet student needs on a daily basis.
How can students be prevented from climbing neighbor fences to access school?	The interim parking lot will have direct gate access to the campus and will reduce student cut through. With a gate in place and open during school hours, there will be no need for students to climb over fences.
Parent behavior during drop off and pick up times can be a concern.	The campus will continue to monitor campus parking and behavior including School Street. School Street will be posted no drop-off or pick-up and Livermore Police will assist in enforcing rules.

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Additional supervision of the area is needed, for example, police or crossing guards. Some examples are Rose Street, Oregon Way, and Stanford Way for middle school students walking to East Avenue Middle School.	The City and the District will work together to explore supervision options. The school will assign supervisory personnel to the area in and around the temporary lot.
Will planned portable lighting light up neighbor homes and create a disturbance?	Interim parking lighting will be temporary and portable. Lights will be angled away from homes, toward parking and can be adjusted if needed.
Will security patrol the interim lot during night events, including clearing students from the lot in a timely manner and locking the gate?	The lot will be monitored by school personnel and visitors to the school will be reminded of lot closure and the locking of gates 30 minutes after events. The lot will only be open when necessary for events.
Where exactly will the fence screening be located?	Fence screening will be in place on all neighbor/campus/common fences.
Neighbor that lives on Oregon Way states that traffic is already a concern due to residents of Leahy Square currently using Oregon Way as a cut-through to avoid Leahy Square speed bumps.	The District and the City will work together to explore the use of speed lumps to improve traffic safety.
There is a concern that adjacent properties will park in the interim lot.	The lot will be locked during non-school hours and activities. Cars parked in the lot during school hours without the proper permit will be subject to citation.

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Earlier and more communication is requested.	The District will communicate earlier at key points in project development.
Entry/exit options to the interim lot should be explored other than Rose Street.	Every potential entry spot was explored but, unfortunately, the only feasible entry to the lot is from Rose Street.
Can construction start at 9am on Saturdays to not disturb residents?	The District will follow all City construction noise ordinance requirements, which limit the days and hours of construction.
How much space will exist between the interim lot and the neighboring properties?	The distances vary. On the north side the distance ranges from 4 feet to 20 feet. On the east side the distance is between 5 feet and 9 feet.
How long with the interim lot construction take and how will the construction dust be controlled?	The interim lot will be constructed over the span of 3 to 4 months. Watering will take place to control dust.
How should neighbors follow up on suggestions for crosswalks, speedbumps, etc. and who should they contact when issues arise?	District staff will review all neighbor suggestions. Questions can be directed to Tina Gerlach at tgerlach@lvjUSD.org or Kim McNeely at kmcneely@lvjUSD.org .

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Will the temporary lot impact programs being offered in this area?	Staff has been working with teachers and program impacts have been addressed.
Will there be security in the interim lot to monitor students?	Yes. Campus security personnel and the School Resource Officer will continue to monitor all areas of the campus, with a focus on the temporary lot at the beginning of the school year. Security cameras are also used.
Neighbor comments that the Livermore Police Department has a website tool to report parking issues, so no need to call.	Here is the link referenced during our meeting: http://www.cityoflivermore.net/citygov/police/traffic/problems.asp
Will there be direct access to the school?	Direct access to the school will be located next to the greenhouse on the southwest corner of the interim parking lot.
Is Livermore High School a closed campus at lunch?	With the exception of seniors, the school does not allow students to leave campus at lunch.
When did this plan get Board approval and have there been neighbor meetings?	Board approval for the interim parking lot was given June 11, 2019. There have been two neighbor/community meetings – July 9 th and July 24 th .

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Is student carpooling an option?	It is not legal for students to transport passengers under the age of 20 during the first 12 months after they receive their license. As a result, the school can't encourage students to carpool.