TRAFFIC SAFETY PLAN

The primary goals of the school's traffic safety plan are to ensure the safety of Stone Creek students and to expedite parent traffic to and from school. To better meet these needs, the school has developed a traffic circulation pattern through the school parking lot each morning and a traffic safety plan, based on consultation with the staff, parents and the Traffic Control Department of the City of Irvine. **PLEASE REVIEW THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF OUR TRAFFIC SAFETY PLAN AND STRICTLY OBSERVE ITS REQUIREMENTS.**

- 1. <u>EMPLOYEE ONLY PARKING AT STONE CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</u>. Our parking lot is open for the dropping off and picking up of students, but parking itself is limited to teachers and staff.
- 2. PARKING LOT ENTRY/EXIT SIGNS ARE CLEARLY POSTED. All parent traffic must enter the parking lot at the Stone Creek South ENTRANCE only. There are two (2) lanes available; the right lane is for "drop-off/pick-up" only, and the left lane is for "drive-through" only.
- 3. **ALWAYS** use caution and drive slowly. We have some very small children that are not always visible and could dart in front of your car. Be alert!
- 4. <u>NEVER</u> leave your car unattended in the right "drop-off/pick-up" lane. This lane is only meant for parents to drive through and drop off their children before school and to wait in their car for children to meet them after school. Cars are allowed to pull from the right lane into the left lane after picking up or dropping off students. Please pull forward as the cars in front of you move up in line.
- 5. If you are waiting for small children, you should park your car and meet your child at the curb or outside the classroom. Parking is available:
 - On Stone Creek South (where/when posted).
 - On Birdsong off of West Yale Loop, at the back of the school and students may walk across the park to the school campus.
 - At Cobblestone Park, just a few yards past Stone Creek School on Stone Creek South; students may walk onto campus from there.

Please consider using a few of the above-referenced alternative drop-off locations in order to ensure the safety of students and to ease traffic congestion.

- 6. For your safety and for your child's safety, <u>always</u> use the crosswalks. They are located at the corner of West Yale Loop and Stone Creek South.
- 7. There is a curbside drop-off area on the school side of West Yale Loop outside the upper grade classrooms, **but parents are to remain in their car at all times**.
- 8. OBSERVE NO PARKING SIGNS. During school hours, there is NO PARKING between the entrance to the parking lot and the corner of West Yale Loop and Stone Creek South. The lane adjacent to the curb is used as the entrance lane to the parking lot only.
- 9. School staff is present to monitor the parking lot before and after school. Please be respectful of their requests to follow the parking lot guidelines.

