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LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of Environmental Health and Safety

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

To ensure the well-being of all of our children, we are informing you of our policy on bicycle, scooter, skateboard, motorized scooter and motorized skateboard safety. It is imperative that all children are aware of the rules and regulations, the responsibilities and the dangers of riding these vehicles. These teachings must come from both the home and the school. It is our hope, that by working together we will help our young people attain the knowledge necessary to ride safely.

Effective immediately, it is the policy of Porter Ranch Community School that all students who are allowed by their parents to ride bicycles, scooters, skateboards, motorized scooters and motorized skateboards, **MUST wear a safety helmet**. This is a state law, as well as a school rule. These helmets may not be held in the hands of students or carried on handlebars; **THEY MUST BE WORN**. Any child who enters this campus without a helmet on his/her head will have his/her bicycle, scooter, skateboard, motorized scooter and motorized skateboard confiscated immediately. **STUDENTS RIDING MOTORIZED SCOOTERS OR MOTORIZED SKATEBOARDS MUST BE AGE 16 OR OLDER**. The vehicle will not be released until a parent comes to campus to retrieve it or the child has a helmet.

A Traffic Safety Agreement must be signed by all parties. If your child rides a bicycle, scooter, skateboard, motorized scooter and motorized skateboard to school, the agreement must be signed by you and your child and returned to the Main Office as soon as possible. If the agreement is not kept, the student will no longer be allowed to ride his/her vehicle to school. We ask that you also discuss general traffic safety with your child. Some of the things that we feel are important are: 1) cross the street only where there is a crosswalk; 2) when crossing at a stop signal and the light turns green, always wait and make sure there are no cars running the red light before you begin crossing; 3) always walk bicycles, scooters and skateboards while crossing the street in a crosswalk; 4) do not ride double on vehicles - this is extremely dangerous and against the law; 5) know the municipal law of riding on the sidewalks; 6) always walk bicycles, scooters and skateboards on our campus. Our students are of vital importance to us all. Please help us in educating your child in traffic safety so we may ensure the safety of all.

Sincerely,

Mr. Demirjie
Assistant Principal