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# 2020 TJHS REBUILD UPDATE:

## WHAT CHANGES SHOULD WE EXPECT MONDAY AT SCHOOL?

We hope you all had a wonderful break these past weeks! Work at TJ was in full speed while you were gone. Along with the start of construction in the current student parking lot, we have a new alley entrance, a new handicap ramp, and repairs that were done on two current buildings. Please plan to arrive earlier than normal to allow for delays. Here are a few hints and reminders about morning and afternoon procedures for students and parents.

### *Student entrance points to campus:*

1. Along 288<sup>th</sup> (SW and SE lots)
2. On 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue by Baseball field
3. Through the forest on far side of football field
4. Bus loop for bus riders only

## TAKE THE BUS:

Students that live in the TJ feeder pattern and live more than 1 mile away should plan to take the bus to school. Walking to school and parent drop-off/pick-up are also good options if the bus is not an option.

Students attending Puget Sound Skills Center should also take the bus, if it is an option. FWPS provides a daily bus to and from PSSC each day for TJ students, so driving is not necessary. Part-Time Running Start students that do not carpool should plan to park off campus, due to limited student parking spots.

We realize taking the bus is not a popular option for students, however we are very lucky the rebuild only affects parking, not classrooms, over the next 1.5 years.



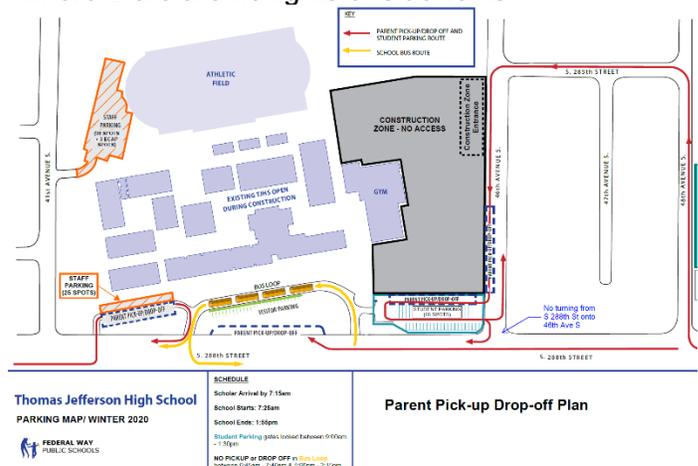
STUDENT PARKING LOT

## PARENT DROP OFF/ PICK UP:

Child safety is our primary focus. To promote this, we have designed three specific areas for parent drop-off and pick-up:

1. The SW Staff Lot, with two drop-off lanes and a through-lane in between them.
2. The turn-out lane on the North side of 288<sup>th</sup>.
3. The SE Student Parking lot. To enter this lot, you will need to turn North on 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue and drive around to 46<sup>th</sup>. (see map below)

Parents, to help keep everyone safe, please **do not** make U-Turns on 288<sup>th</sup>, drop off students in the turn lane on 288<sup>th</sup>, or drop of students on 41<sup>st</sup> Ave where there are no lights or sidewalks.



## PARENT AFTERNOON PICK-UP:

We often have parents arrive early to wait for school to end so they pick up students after school. We want to support you as much as possible when this happens. Please do not park in the bus loop when you are picking up students after school. Parents may wait in the SW Staff Lot in one of the two pick-up lanes. There is a drive-through lane in-between so you don't get stuck behind other parents when you are ready to leave.

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## OUR THANKS TO:

### WEST VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

A HUGE thank you to our neighbors at West Valley Community Church for partnering with us to provide 25 extra parking spots for our students during the rebuild. The church is located right on 288<sup>th</sup>, just East of I-5 at 3212 S 288<sup>th</sup> St. We will provide shuttles to and from this lot for students with a current TJ Parking Permit. No loitering or littering will be tolerated, as this is a favor to us. TJ Security will regularly patrol the lot to be sure we are being respectful of our neighbors. We continue to seek out more neighbor partners to provide alternative options for our students. We will update you as things develop. Service Hours will be available for students that want to help us keep this lot clean. See the main office for more info on this.



Lots of changes are coming as we begin this new chapter of our TJ journey. We all need to work together to keep everyone safe. We will continue to update you on any changes or adjustments. We thank you for your patience as we move forward.

Thanks!



### STUDENT PARKING OPTIONS:

Students that need to stay after school will also have an opportunity to take the Activity Bus Mondays-Thursdays. The bus leaves TJ at approximately 4:15 from the bus loop.

If students need to drive to school, there are three options available to them:

1. SE student carpool lot requires 3+ students to park. Entrance will be monitored by security.
2. Park & Ride Shuttle lot at West Valley Church. Shuttle pick-up will be at 7:05 and 7:15 daily. Students parking after 7:15 will need to walk or carpool to school. A **TJ parking permit is required** to park here.
3. Neighborhood parking on your own (see Neighborhood parking reminders flyer)

### ATHLETES:

TJ Athletes are encouraged to take the bus and Activity bus if their practices are right after school. Student athletes using the relief parking lot at the church should take the shuttle to their car right after school, bring their car back to the TJ student lot, then go to practice. Check with your coaches. Athletes with evening practices are welcome to use the student lot.