

## RHS Traffic Flow for Drop-off, Pick-up, and the Student Parking Lot (rev. June '10)

City of Rowlett and Rowlett Fire Dept. officials have certain non-negotiable requirements we must adhere to. No queuing (lining up for drop-off or pickup) can occur in the north side, south side, or west side driveways of the building for Fire Lane reasons. The north side will be for Special Needs Students only.

This plan is the culmination of numerous meetings with people involved in the North Texas Tollway Authority George Bush Freeway Extension Project. Please read and study carefully the following directions, and view the diagrams on the RHS Website. The website diagrams may be easier to understand. Keep in mind that the best way to beat traffic is to get an early start and avoid the peak rush times.

**\*\*\* WE HAVE BEEN WARNED THAT CONSTRUCTION ON THE TOLLWAY AT THE START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR WILL HAVE OUR KIRBY RD. DRIVEWAY SHUT DOWN FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. DURING THIS TIME, THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC FLOW WILL BE IN PLACE.**

### In the Morning: Everyone will use the Main Street Driveways

**BUSES and PARENTS**-will use the north (Main St.) entrance to proceed behind the school. After dropping off their students, they will turn left and enter the student parking lot near the stadium. They will continue east to the back row of the parking lot, turn left and head to the exit at Main St. near the tennis courts. The driveway near Fidel's office will be ENTER ONLY. They will turn left and head back to the Kirby Rd and Main St. intersection. There they will have the option of turning right or proceeding straight on Main St. There will be no left turn option onto southbound Kirby at peak school rush hours. **STAFF** - will use the north (Main St.) entrance, then turn right to proceed to the Faculty Parking Lot. Staff who park near the gym and Field House will proceed behind the school.

**STUDENTS** - will ONLY enter the first driveway into the Student Parking Lot. The driveway nearest the tennis courts will be EXIT ONLY. **If you park in the Rows S, I or J**, drive the length of the parking lot, and join the line of buses and parents entering the parking lot near the stadium to get to your spot. Don't drive against the flow of out-going traffic, in the last row, heading to the Main St. exit.

### In the Afternoon: Everyone will use the Main Street Driveways

**BUSES** - will line up in their assigned bus lanes at around 2:15, but they will be facing Main St. and will exit onto Main St. Traffic on Main St. will be stopped to allow all the buses to leave at the same time.

**PARENTS** - Parent Pick Up will occur in the back of the school only (except for approved Shuttle Buses). After picking up their students, they will follow the same procedure as in the morning, proceeding through the student parking lot. At the Main and Kirby intersection, they will have the option of turning right or proceeding straight on Main St. There will be no left turn option onto southbound Kirby at peak school rush hours. **Parents should not start to line up to pick up their students until 2:40 when the buses are gone.** There will no longer be a "standing/queuing lane" where parents can start to line up before 2:30. Parents who start to line up early create congestion that backs up through the Main St./Kirby intersection, blocking the buses from getting to our students. Do not pick your student up on Main St. and then make a U-Turn. This endangers our students driving west on Main St. and could result in a ticket from Rowlett Police Department. If you come after 2:40, you will find there is almost no traffic you will have to deal with. Your students will be just fine waiting ten minutes for you. There is a covered area where students can wait for their pickup. Parents of students in Band, Cheer, Drill Team, and Athletics should still pickup behind the school, but if your student has too much to carry, you can pick them up on the south side of the building, after passing behind the school, after 2:40, then do a U-Turn by the softball field, and exit through the student parking lot. Do not pick up students in the Student Parking Lot.

**STUDENTS** - will leave via the north Main St. exits near Fidel's office and near the tennis courts. Students will not exit near the Stadium. At the Kirby Rd and Main St. intersection, they will have the option of turning right or proceeding straight on Main St. There will be no left turn option onto southbound Kirby at peak school rush hours.

**\*\*\* ONCE WE ARE ALLOWED TO USE THE KIRBY RD. DRIVEWAY AGAIN, THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC FLOW WILL BE BACK IN PLACE.**

**In the Morning: If coming from the North or West (On Kirby coming from Hwy 66 or coming down Main St.)**

**BUSES** - will use the north (Main St.) entrance and leave via the south (Kirby Rd.) entrance.

**PARENTS** - will use the north (Main St.) entrance to proceed behind the school. After dropping off their student, they will exit onto Kirby Rd.

**STAFF** - will use the north (Main St.) entrance, then turn right to proceed to the Faculty Parking Lot. Staff who park near the gym and Field House will proceed behind the school. Only these staff members and the buses will head back toward Kirby Rd.

**STUDENTS** - will ONLY enter the first driveway into the Student Parking Lot. The driveway nearest the tennis courts will be **EXIT ONLY**. If you park in the Rows S, I or J, drive the length of the parking lot, and join the line of students and parents entering the parking lot near the stadium to get to your spot. Don't drive against the flow of out-going traffic.

**In the Morning: If coming from the South (On Kirby coming from Miller Rd.)**

**PARENTS** - coming from the south will enter the driveway off of Kirby and proceed east. There will be two lanes: The right lane for parents dropping off in front of the field house, and the left lane for students going to their parking lot. These lanes will merge near the stadium. After dropping off at the field house, continue east to pass through the student parking lot, and use the "exit only" driveway onto Main St. near the tennis courts. Do not make a U-Turn or turn into Faculty spaces, to exit back onto Kirby. That will endanger students going to the parking lot, and parents who entered from the west or north, who are supposed to exit onto Kirby. Do not exit near Fidel's office, as that is an "entrance only" driveway for students at that time of day. Parents will turn left and head back to the Kirby Rd and Main St. intersection. There they will have the option of turning right or proceeding straight on Main St. There will be no left turn option onto Kirby at peak school rush hours.

**STAFF** - who park near the Field House or Gym will enter the driveway off of Kirby and can proceed directly to their assigned parking space.

**STUDENTS** - Students coming from the south will enter the driveway off of Kirby and proceed to the student Parking Lot and to their parking spot. There will be two lanes: The right lane for parents dropping off in front of the field house, and the left lane for students going to their parking lot. These lanes will merge near the stadium. **If you park in Rows A thru D**, you will want to enter the parking lot off of Main St. by first going through the Kirby Rd and Main St. intersection. Cones and Traffic will not allow you to get directly to your A thru D parking spot coming from the south.

**In the Afternoon:** Buses, Staff, Parents and Students coming from all directions will travel through the Kirby Rd and Main St. intersection, and proceed eastbound on Main St. Do not ignore the signs not to enter off of Kirby. You may be ticketed.

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