

GETTING TO PALY

We encourage biking, walking, carpooling or using the shuttle to get to Paly. Use caution during the morning and afternoon commute, as congestion around the school is greatest during these times.

BIKING:

Choose the best route. Some options and alternatives to using high volume roads like Embarcadero or El Camino include:

- *Using the Bryant bike boulevard or the Embarcadero bike/pedestrian pathway.

- *From Newell, Louis or Greer: Use North California to the Alma/RR underpass, then turn right onto Park Blvd. to Castilleja Ave and cross Churchill to Paly's back driveway.

- *From the area near Walter Hays Elementary: Use Coleridge rather than riding wrong way on the Embarcadero sidewalk.

Bikes are vehicles and subject to the same rules of the road as a car.

Risky choices that put cyclists at much greater risk of colliding with another vehicle include:

- *Failing to stop at stop signs or yield properly to vehicles with the right-of-way at intersections.

- *Riding "wrong way" on the street or sidewalk. Bikes should travel in the same direction as cars on the road.

Never assume that drivers can see you at intersections or driveways – make eye contact first if possible. Watch for drivers turning right – they are looking left.

Make sure that your helmet is buckled and fits snug and level on your head. The straps should form a Y just under your earlobe.

Bike parking is provided in three areas:

- *Bike racks near the quad area

- *Bike racks near the Science building

- *Bike cage near the gym

WALKING AND SKATING:

Pedestrians have the right-of-way within a crosswalk, however, the law states, "no pedestrian shall unnecessarily stop or delay traffic while in a marked or unmarked crosswalk."

You are still considered a pedestrian if using a skateboard, scooter or in-line skates and should use the sidewalk.

For additional information: <http://saferoutes.paloaltopta.org/index.shtml>

