



# DE PORTOLA ELEMENTARY



## SUGGESTED ROUTES TO SCHOOL



## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TIPS

- Always look BOTH ways before crossing the street.
- Never dash out into the street.
- Always listen to crossing guards, police officers, or school officials when given direction to cross a street.
- Make eye contact with approaching vehicles and make sure vehicles come to a complete stop before crossing in front of them.
- When you are crossing a driveway take the same precaution as you would crossing a street.
- Use pedestrian push buttons at signalized intersections.
- Do not start to cross the street after the pedestrian signal has started flashing "DON'T WALK."



## BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

- Always wear a helmet. Helmets are required by law for all bicyclists less than 18 years of age.
- Ride with other cyclists or adults to make you more visible to motorists.
- Do not ride in the opposite of direction of vehicle traffic.
- Make sure that your bike has reflectors on the front, back, and wheels so you are visible from all directions. When riding at night you should also use a white lamp for the front and red tail light.
- Wear bright clothing when riding.
- Use hand signals to communicate your intentions to turn, stop, or slow down to other road users.
- Use extra caution when riding by driveways.

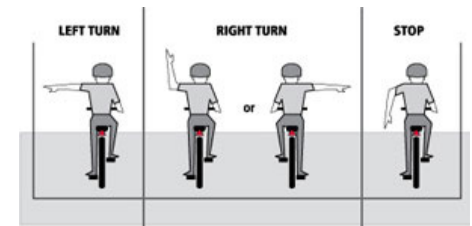
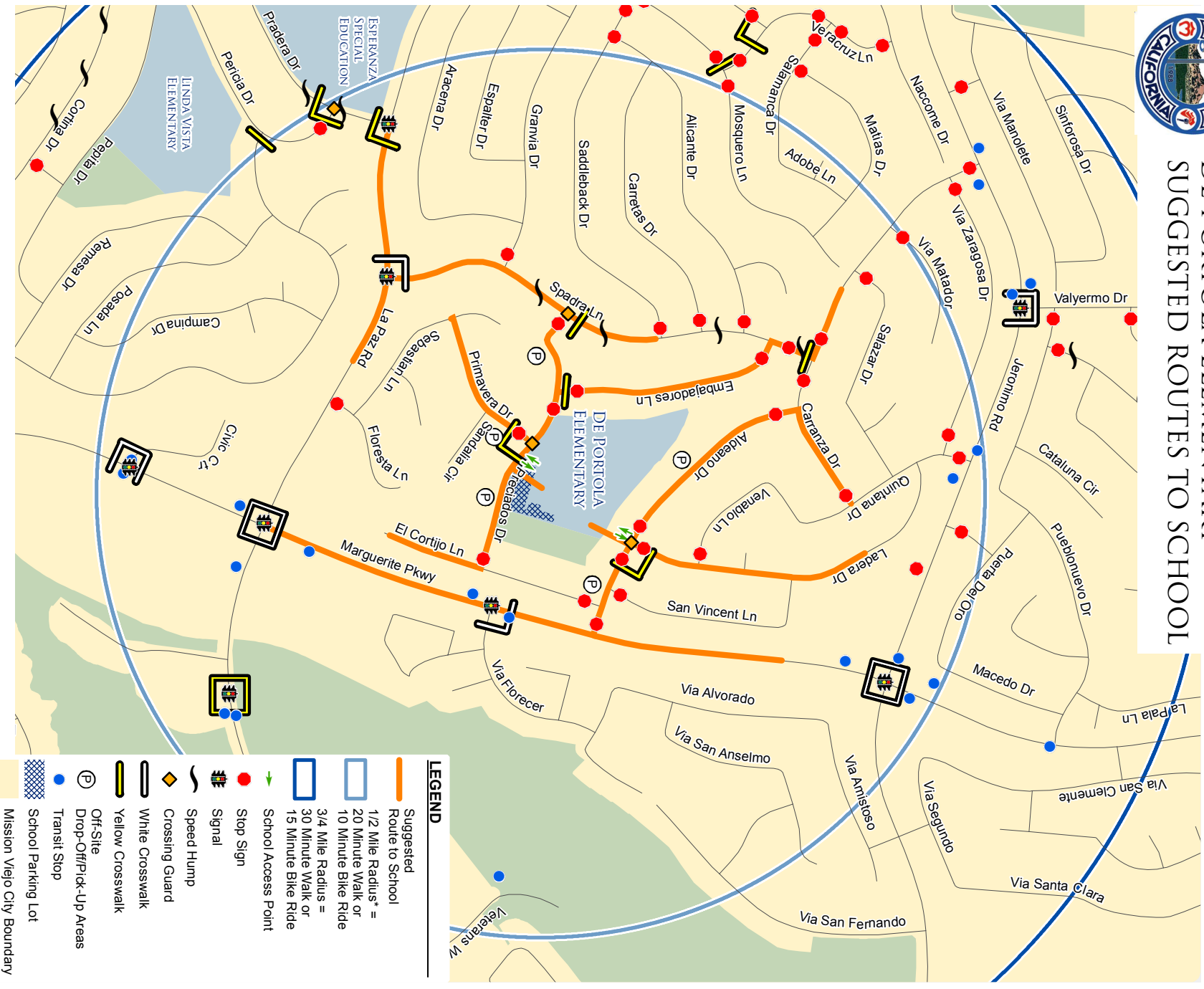


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The City of Mission Viejo and project partners strongly encourage parents to walk or bike with students initially and use this mapping tool to explore the safest path from home to school. It is the responsibility of each parent to find the most appropriate route based on the experience level of the child and knowledge of conditions on the route between home and school. For more information regarding this map, please contact the City of Mission Viejo at 949-470-3068.

Not to Scale

\* Signs, markings, and traffic control inventory was conducted within the one-half mile suggested walking routes, therefore some of these features are not shown in the map beyond the one-half mile walking routes.