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MEMORANDUM

TO: SUSD Parents/Guardians FROM: Mayra Franco, Chief of Police

DATE: February 28, 2023

RE: Traffic Safety & Parking Program

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Ensuring the safety of all students is a paramount objective of both the Stockton Unified School District and the SUSD Department of Public Safety. An area of common complaints and concern is traffic-related issues in school zones during student drop off and pick up. Motorists often create unsafe conditions for students by blocking roadways, speeding, and improper parking.

The District and the SUSD Department of Public Safety will be implementing the Traffic Safety & Parking Program in school zones to reduce excessive speeding and parking violations. The Traffic Safety & Parking program will be in effect across the district on March 1, 2023, with a 30-Day grace period. After the initial 30-Day grace period, the SUSD Department of Public Safety will enforce violations.

Please be sure to follow all local traffic and parking rules and regulations within the City of Stockton. We thank you for your adherence to the parking laws and wish everyone a safe and healthy school year.

Please keep in mind:

- Drop off/pick up children a short distance away from school when possible. This alleviates traffic congestion around our schools.
- Once your child is out of the car and safely on the sidewalk, vacate the area to make room for other parents to drop off their children.
- Be mindful of school staff and crossing guards. They are there for your child's safety.
- Be a "Good Neighbor" by being mindful of residents who live near school zones.
- Do **NOT** block the driveways of area residents.
- Do **NOT** double park or otherwise block the streets around your child's school.
- Walk children to school when possible