

TOUR DE LADD PARKING INFORMATION

Abernethy Parents,

We need your help before and during the Tour de Ladd on October 5th to ensure the safety of our children. There will be some important restrictions on parking and driving on the Tour course before and during the event to meet these safety needs. Please help us keep your kids safe by doing the following:

Before the Event

1. **Please avoid parking on or within any portion of the course during morning drop-off on the 6th.** This includes Hickory Street and the portions of Orange and Tamarack Avenues north of Hickory, as well as the alley between Hickory and Tamarack. If you do park in any of these areas, it is extremely important that you move your car by 8:45 to help us ensure that the course is clear and the event can start on time at 9 a.m.
2. **Please avoid parking on Birch Street between Elliott and Orange Avenues during morning drop-off.** Given the proximity of this street to the course and that it is difficult to turn around on Birch, we also would like this street as clear of cars as possible by 8:45 a.m.
3. **Please use Elliott Avenue to the greatest extent possible for drop-off.** We know this requires a bit of extra walking but it will be extremely helpful us organize and conduct the event in a safe manner.

During the Event

1. **Between, 9 a.m. and 12 noon, driving and parking on, through, or across any part of the course must be restricted while the kids are riding.** Ideally, we do not want anyone on the course during this entire time. So if you can avoid driving or parking on the course during that period, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are just traveling through the area, please use an alternate route. If you are traveling to someplace within the course area, it would be great if you could park outside the area and walk to your destination.
2. **If you absolutely have to drive on or within the course between 9 and 12, we will be asking you to wait until there is a break between waves of riders.** Your cooperation with volunteers who will be staffing barricades at entrances to the course will be greatly appreciated. Volunteers will have explicit instructions about how to access the course safely.
3. **St. Philip Neri Church will allow temporary parking during the event, after 8:30 am. The parking lot is located off of SE Division and SE 16th**

I have attached a map showing the course location. It is a triangular route going from SE Orange Street to SE Tacoma Street to SE Hickory Street. Outer Barricades are marked by the "crossing guard" figures, inner barricades are marked by the exclamation points. Barricade volunteers (made up of friends, neighbors and Abernethy parents) have been asked to allow no-one past unless it is for a very compelling (i.e. emergency) reason. Let's make their lives easier and avoid those intersections altogether.

If you have questions about any of these requests, please contact **Kathy Aulwes (503-957-2506)**. Thank you very much for your cooperation and support in making this a fun and safe event!

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