

Stop, Drop, and Go FAQs

Q: What is Stop, Drop, and Go?

A: Stop, Drop, and Go is an award winning morning student drop off service created by the PTA for our parent community in February 2007. It is a school-wide parent volunteer rotation that services over 100 families every school day! It is convenient: no need to double park, block driveways or look for parking. It is safe: no need for children to jaywalk, parent volunteers help guide the children to the auditorium entrance that leads directly to the school yard. We have been recognized as a model site on the efficiency of this program by the San Francisco Police Dept., school bus drivers and other schools!

Q: How does Stop, Drop, and Go work?

A: Student drop off starts at 7:35A and runs until about 7:55A. Cars line up on 37th Avenue and turn onto or cross Anza Street. The entrance next to the auditorium is where children will enter the school from the drop-off line. As a courtesy - please have your child ready (back pack in hand) and wait until the parent volunteer opens the car door at the top of the line before your child exits the car. This keeps the children safe, the line moving smoothly, and everybody happy!

Q: What if I am late and the Stop, Drop, and Go line is gone?

A: Please find safe and legal street parking. There is metered parking on Balboa Street, starting at 9A. Please be aware that there is **no parking, double-parking, or drop-off in the school bus zone (on 36th Avenue) as it is a tow-away zone and buses are constantly coming in throughout the morning.** Do not double-park as DPT and the SFPD do come by and may ticket you. If you must accompany your child for drop off, please do so near the school's main entrance at 37th Avenue & Anza so that they may enter the school directly instead of having to cross the schoolyard to get into the school. *School yard gates are locked at 8am as well as the auditorium entrance doors at Anza.*

Q: What is expected of me as a parent volunteer?

A: This is the easy part! Each classroom has two rotations throughout the school year – one week in the Fall and one week in the Spring. Five volunteers are needed daily from 7:35A to 7:55A to set up the program (takes 2 minutes) and to help ensure that the program runs smoothly. *Every minute counts so volunteers, please be on time for your shift.* The room parent or classroom Stop, Drop & Go coordinator for that particular classroom will notify all families about their upcoming rotation. It only requires less than 30 minutes of your time and it benefits the entire Lafayette community!

Q: What if I can't make it during my child's classroom rotation?

A: Not a problem! You can always help out during other classroom rotations.

Q: Is there any special training involved?

A: No, it's easy! It takes a few minutes to set up, directions & pictures are posted on the SDGo closet located across from the auditorium entrance with the cones, safety vests/raincoats and little yellow men. The program must be set up exactly the same each day for consistency and safety. Experienced volunteers and the **SDGo Chair, Pat Tam (ptam843@yahoo.com)**, is regularly available to answer questions. Mostly, common sense, a positive & happy attitude is all that is required when working the line! GO TEAM spirit!

Q: How do I get more information about this program?

A: Keep an eye out for notices from the PTA in your child's Wednesday envelope as well as on the PTA board across from the school's library. You can also contact the Stop, Drop, and Go Chair Pat Tam. She would be more than happy to answer any of your questions!