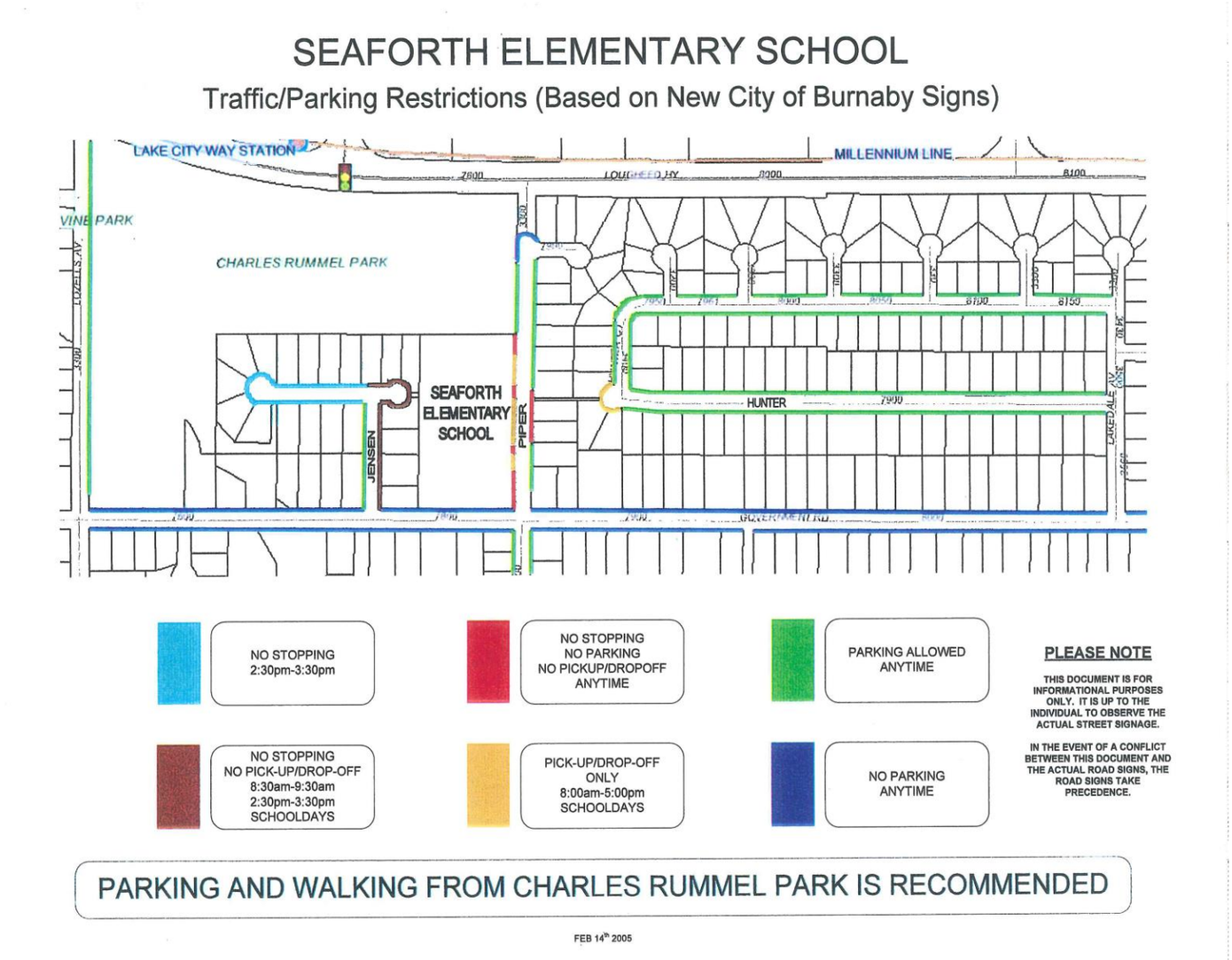
Student & Traffic Safety – École Seaforth Elementary School

The entire area along Piper Avenue immediately in front of the school right down to the STOP sign on Government Road is a **NO PARKING AREA**!!! This area is for student Drop Off and Pick Up ONLY. There are signs posted all along this area. Despite this fact, we still have parents PARKING in this area. This creates real problems before and after school as it causes traffic to become backed up farther up Piper Avenue. The only time you are permitted to stop in this area is to QUICKLY drop off or pick up your child. This **does not** mean that you are to be parked in this area waiting for your child at the end of the day as this prevents traffic from freely flowing through should your child not be there for pick up right away. As well, parking **is not** permitted there in the morning to walk your child to the classroom, even if their classroom may be close by, as this also creates congestion and prevents other parents from driving through the area. The area like a drive thru and needs to be treated accordingly – traffic needs to be kept moving through the area at all times.

Please obey the following traffic rules as outlined by the City of Burnaby:

- **Do not wait or park in the PICK UP/DROP OFF zone.**
- **Only pick up and drop off your children in the pick up/drop of zone in front of the school, not in the middle of the road and NOT in the staff parking lots.**
- **No jaywalking.**
- **No 3-point turns.**
- **No U-turns.**
- **Do not enter the teacher's parking lot.**
- **Do not wait or park in a NO STOPPING zone.**
- Another option is to park your car on Hunter Street and use the crosswalk to pick up your children. The south side of Piper Street is also available. There seems to be a great deal of confusion about the pick up/drop off zone. Many parents park there while

We recognize that there is not a lot of parking in the area for parents. We do not even have adequate parking for staff on some days. There is parking available on Hunter Street and Jensen Place, as well as at Charles Rummel Park. The following map indicates parking areas surrounding the school that has been provided to us by the City. We certainly recognize that parking is a problem, but parking in areas that are not designated for parking only makes the problem worse. We really do need everyone's cooperation in this matter. For your information, the City Bylaw Officer will issue tickets to violators. **Parents, guardians and neighbours who notice violators are encouraged to report information directly to the Burnaby City Engineering, Traffic: 604.294.7460.**