



# Getting to Gunn



For everyone's safety and health, both the administration and the PTSA recommend that students commute to school by bicycle, public transit, foot, or carpool. If you absolutely must drive to Gunn, see the information below and on the reverse about drop-off and parking.

## VTA County Buses

Half-price VTA monthly bus passes are available in the Gunn Student Activity Center for \$20 (check for availability with the SAC at 650-354-8229).

Student monthly passes may also be purchased at Palo Alto City Hall for \$40.

This year the VTA has revised the 88 route to better serve Gunn students. Beginning summer 2008, the 88 itself runs more frequently and more directly to Gunn, and new routes 88L and 88M run once daily each way to Louis, Middlefield, Waverly, Loma Verde, Cowper and the Ventura neighborhood.

For complete information on these routes, call 800-894-9908 or check the VTA site:

[www.vta.org/schedules/SC\\_88.html](http://www.vta.org/schedules/SC_88.html)

You can sign up for route 88 updates at

<http://lists.sonic.net/mailman/listinfo/88bus>

## Free Crosstown Shuttle

The Crosstown Shuttle will no longer serve Gunn directly, as the VTA 88 lines will provide service from the Midtown and Ventura neighborhoods. The fall shuttle routes and schedules will be available when finalized at: [www.paloaltoshuttle.com](http://www.paloaltoshuttle.com)



## PAUSD Buses

The District offers seats on its Route J, Y & Z bus to high school students for a fee. First come, first served. Call 329-3980 for more information.

## Biking & Walking

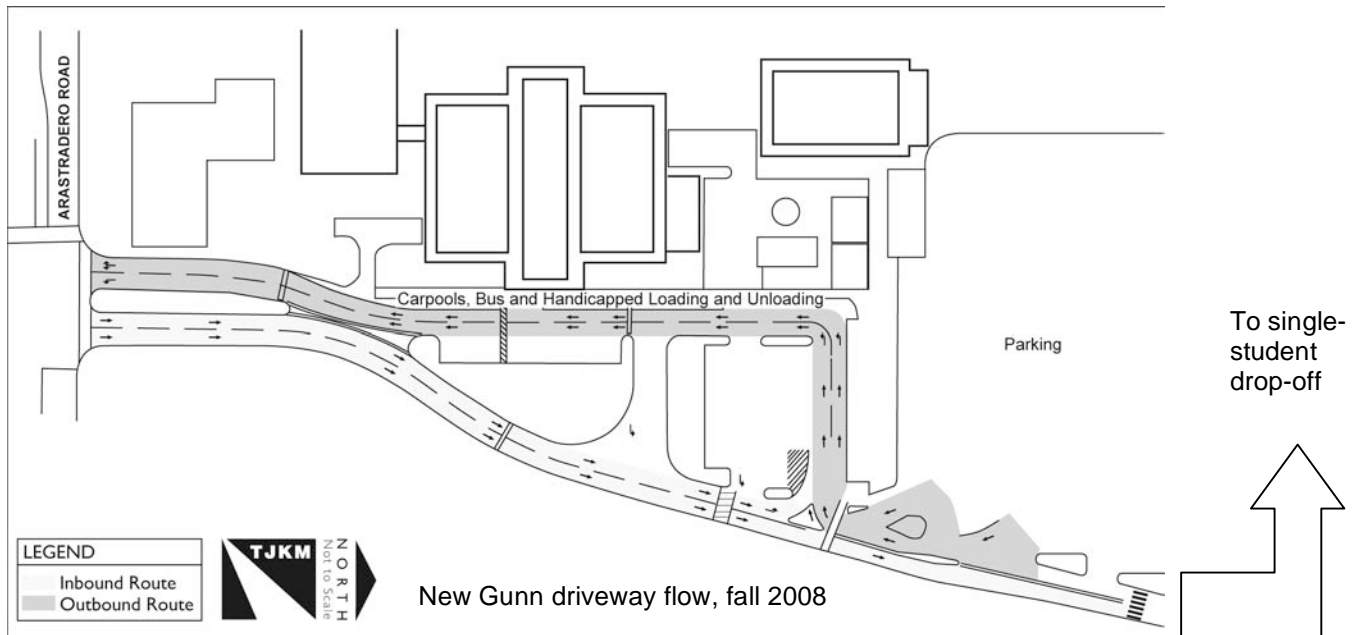
A number of paths and cut-throughs offer bicyclists and walkers low-traffic entrances on the neighborhood edges of the school, several at the north end of the parking lot, by the tennis courts. See <http://gunn.pausd.org/~activities/sac/Commuting.htm> for more information, including a map of suggested routes.

The Pedal for Prizes program offers bicyclists small prizes and snacks on random mornings, with a drawing for a large prize at the end of the year.

## On-Campus Drop-Off

Only carpools may drop off passengers at the curb by the office (the first allowable left).

To drop off a single student, continue back, turn left before the gym, and left again at the covered drop-off area; then complete the loop back to the main driveway, leaving by the new throughway at the office.



### On-Campus Pick-Up

The curb by the school office is reserved for carpools, buses, and handicapped students during school commute hours. Single-student pick-up is in the back parking lot, at the covered walkway. If your student is not waiting when you arrive, please do not block the driveway but find an empty space in the lot.

### Student Parking

Permits for the student lot are available through the Student Activities Center. Parking closest to the school is reserved for carpools (two or more students, \$100). Single-student permits are \$150, available to juniors and seniors only. The permit must be displayed any time the car is in the lot.

### Visitor Parking

All vehicles parked on campus need permits, even in the visitor spots by the front office. Visitors must stop by the office first thing to get a free parking permit.

## **Off-Campus Drop-Off and Pick-Up**

### **Miranda Drop-Off**

Student drop-off at the bus stop on the Gunn side of Miranda is permitted under special agreement with the VTA and Palo Alto Police. Only following the rules below will allow us to continue using this drop-off point.

- **Parachute Drop-off.** Students need to exit the car in five seconds. Students should have backpack, instruments, etc. in hand. Arrangements and goodbyes should be finalized before the car reaches the curb. Five seconds, you can do it.
- **No Prolonged Drop-off.** Students who need extra time—to unload a bicycle or switch between a student and parent driver, for example—need to use the on-campus drop-off area or park safely and legally elsewhere.
- **Bus Priority.** Buses have legal priority. When a bus comes, cars must immediately exit. If your student has not yet exited the car, pull out and proceed further up Miranda. If the bus is coming behind you in the stream of traffic, do not block the bus from pulling into the stop. Instead, continue to the driveways further north.
- **Curb Drop.** For safety, cars need to form a single file along the curb. Dropping off while double-parked is illegal.
- **Turning Around.** Cars traveling north on Miranda who wish to return south can use either Hillview or driveways further down Miranda. Please, no U-turns at the bus stop or the curve in Miranda.
- **Driveway Closed.** The back driveway of Gunn is closed to drop-off and pick-up. Drop-offs of students in this driveway are illegal.

### **Georgia Drop-Off**

Due to heavy student cycling and pedestrian traffic, we ask that you **NOT** drop off and pick up students near the mouth of the Georgia cut-through.

If you choose to drop your student off away from the cut-through, note that three-point turns (pulling partly into a driveway and backing out) are illegal. Except at a stop sign, U-turns must be made with a safe 200-foot clearance from any approaching cars or cyclists.