



LACS @ Foothills Congregational Church

Los Altos City Council
March 23, 2021

History of FCC and LACS

Foothills Congregational Church

- Constructed early 1900's
- Became FCC in 1961



Los Altos Chinese School

- Founded in 2014
- Partnered with Los Altos School District

Welcome to Los Altos Chinese After School!

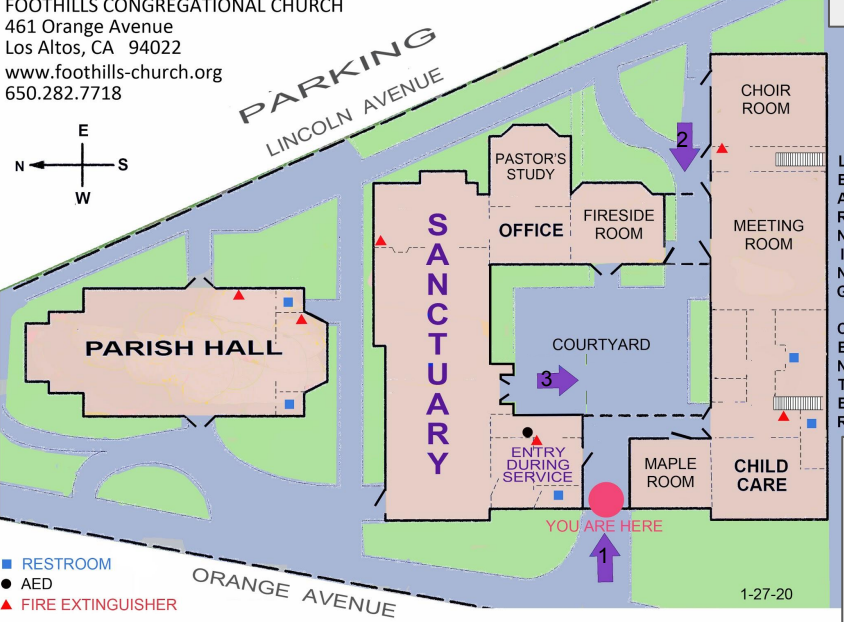
Welcome, parents and students! Los Altos Chinese School offers an excellent Mandarin Chinese immersion after school program in Silicon Valley. We're proud to serve our families and aspire to do it with excellence.

Our goal is to promote children's successful Mandarin Chinese learning results through passion and love, enhancing their positive attitude and confidence towards life. Our students are engaged and challenged in various creative activities and enrichment courses. We currently accept students from kindergarten to 6th grade.

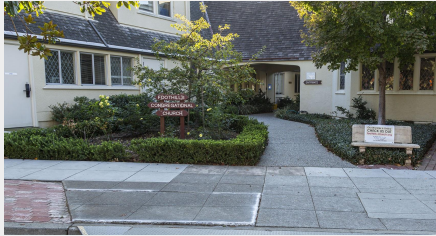


Foothills Congregational Church - Entrances and Courtyard views

FOOTHILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
 461 Orange Avenue
 Los Altos, CA 94022
 www.foothills-church.org
 650.282.7718



2. Courtyard entrance from Lincoln Avenue.



3. Courtyard from Sanctuary Entrance



1. Courtyard entrance from Orange Avenue.

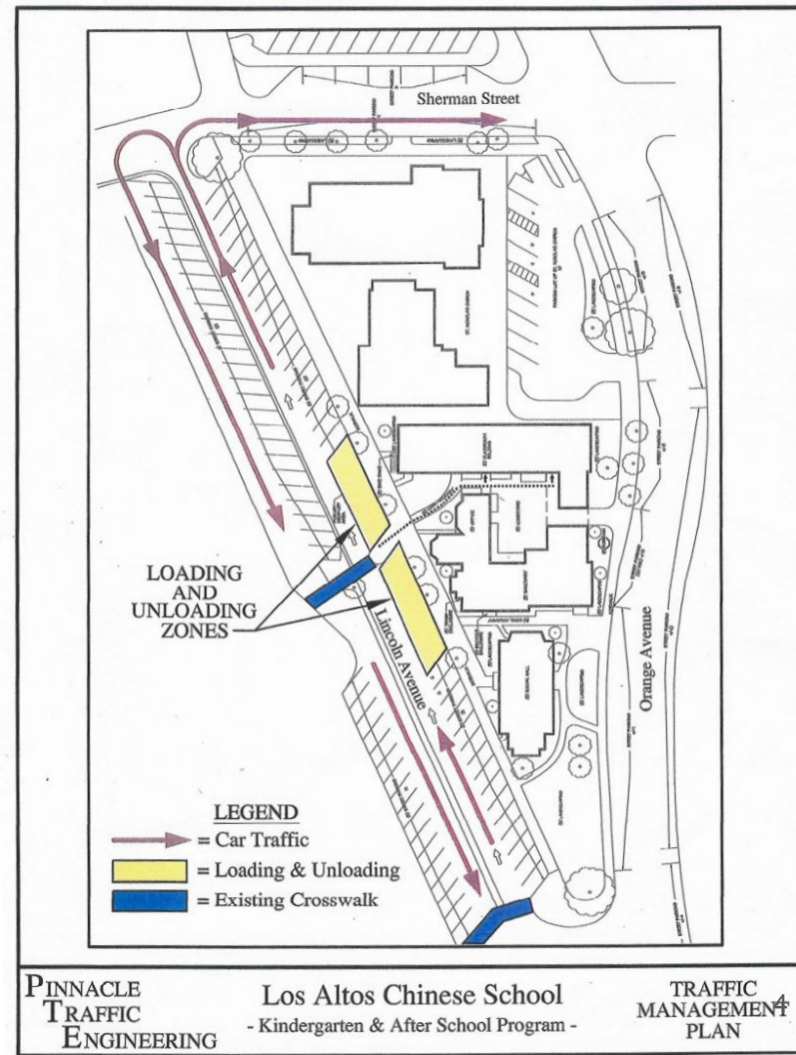


Traffic Management Plan

A major traffic concern expressed to FCC was over cars departing the church, through the neighborhood, to El Monte Ave.

- **Traffic Flow:**
 - Parents picking up students arrive along Lincoln Ave. and depart via Sherman St. or Lincoln Ave.
 - **Est. 65% of students will use Lincoln/Burke because they live in N. Los Altos & Los Altos Hills.**
- **Arrivals and Departures:**
 - Students are dropped off in vans from each school.
 - **Student pick-up ranges from 3:30 to 6:00 PM.**
 - **75% of student are siblings - forming natural carpools.**

Take-away: We calculate that 47 cars are necessary to pick up the children over the afternoon, and that fewer than 25 departures would be along University Ave during this time.



Student Safety

- **Traffic Plan Commitment:**
 - Parents will sign a commitment at the beginning of each school year to abide by the traffic plan and acknowledging:
 - No parking on Orange Ave.
 - Fines up to expulsion for non-compliance
- **Pick-Up Protocol:**
 - Parents will use sidewalks for access.
 - A staff member / traffic monitor will be on hand to sign-out the student.
- **Outdoor Play Space:**
 - Examining options to enclose the courtyard for each class' use (see images)
 - FCC will provide an alternative space in the Parish Hall as timing permits and weather require.

Respect for Neighbors of the Church

Los Altos Chinese School wants to show respect for the neighbors of Foothills Congregational Church and therefore requires the following from all parents of currently enrolled students.

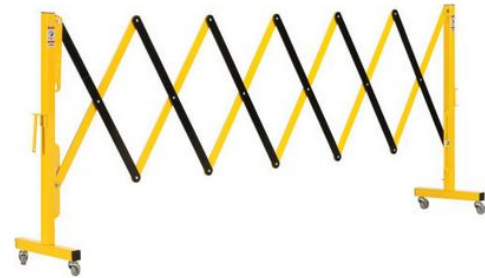
1. Under no circumstances will any parent or authorized person drop off or picking up a student from the facilities of the Foothills Congregational Church to park their vehicles on Orange Ave. No Parking on Orange Ave at all time! All drop-offs and pickups shall be made on the Lincoln Ave side of the Church. Failure to do so will be given a courtesy warning for the first offense, a fine of \$50.00 for the second offense, and the third offense will result in termination of your child's enrollment from LACS for the academic or school year.
2. All parents and /or authorized person for drop-off /pick-up students(s) must agree to obey LACS/Foothill Church specified traffic flow around the neighborhood, including the applicable speed limits.
3. LACS/Foothill Church require all car traffics to make a U-Turn at the end of Lincoln Avenue, turn left - return onto Lincoln Avenue then turn right at the Orange Ave intersection to exit.
4. LACS will issue a parking permit for each car you plan to use for student drop-off/pick-up. The permit must be visibly placed on the front righthand side window of the car when you arrive and exit Foothills Congregational Church.
5. Parents or authorized pick-up person must sign out for the student(s) and enter the time of day on the LACS sign-out log.

I have read the above agreement, fully understand, and agree to follow the LACS rules listed above by the signature below.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

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Modification of the Original Application

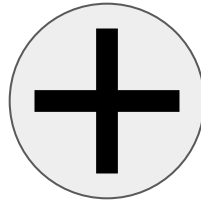
LACS and FCC have made changes to the application to respond to the concerns and requests of the neighbors as well as responds to request from Complete Streets Commission and Planning Commission. They are as follows:



Reducing enrollment from 90 to 75



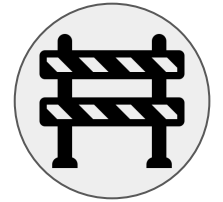
Restricted hours to 12PM to 6PM



Added a traffic monitor



Added driver placards



Safe outdoor play space

COVID-19 Changes

LACS is currently operating after school classes in a virtual capacity.

Use of FCC will follow all local and state public health guidelines for children's programs in addition to the requirements of the Conditional Use Permit.



Santa Clara County
PUBLIC HEALTH
County of Santa Clara
Emergency Operations Center



State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
California Department of Public Health



Take-Aways

- This program that is an asset to the community, and should be supported.
- Any start-up of the program will be gradual and slow due to the restrictions of COVID-19 - this give us ample time to respond to neighbor feedback on traffic through the neighborhood.
- We are incorporating the traffic plan commitment from parents into documentation for **all** users of the FCC property and planning a congregational information session to increase awareness by our membership with the objective of reducing neighborhood concerns and focusing traffic to major roadways like Foothill Expressway.

