

Bicycles, Skateboards and Scooters

All students traveling to and from school by bicycle should be familiar with traffic regulations in Yokohama. Students must obey all traffic regulations and wear bicycle helmets as required by Japanese law. Bicycles must be parked in the designated bicycle parking area next to the South Building and be securely locked when not in use. The school is not responsible for any loss or theft of bicycles.

It is illegal to ride skateboards and scooters on the streets, and they should not be used on sidewalks within the vicinity of the school for the safety of the school community and our neighbors. Bicycles, skateboards and scooters cannot be used in any areas of the school premises unless in a school supervised activity.

Information for safe use:

- There can be legal consequences in case of bicycle accidents, and/or failure to properly register and insure bicycles.
- If someone is involved in an accident, especially if they hit someone on the way to/from school, they need to check if there are any injuries to all parties involved. They must either call the police (#110) from the location of the accident or call the school (from their location or report to reception as soon as they arrive at school) to get the help from the office staff to call the police.
- Make yourself familiar with the [rules and regulations](#) and [expectations, manners and obligations](#) regarding bike riding provided by the City of Yokohama and familiarize your children regarding the expectations.
- For safety reasons and to maintain good relations with our neighbors, bicycles should not be ridden through the local parks, especially Izumi Park at the end of the street in front of the school.
- Riding around the local neighborhood should be at a reasonable speed and with care of pedestrians and traffic at all times.
- Bicycle riders using the pathway behind the school (East Side) should use the bike path (upper level) and not the pedestrian walkway. Students can use the connecting pathway to enter the bicycle parking at the South side of the building.
- Parents waiting for their children at the bicycle parking gate must keep the pathway clear at all times and park bicycles at the side of the path to avoid blocking the way for pedestrians.

These [Bicycle Leaflets](#) are informative and are in English to support you and your family to enjoy riding to school safely and within the expectations of the Japanese traffic code.