



# HERITAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Helmet Pledge

Dear Parent/Guardian,

All students that attend Heritage Elementary are required to wear a helmet while operating a bicycle, non-motorized scooter, skateboard, in line or roller skates. Many students have arrived with helmets on their handlebars, in their backpacks or unstrapped on their heads. We want to promote safety for our students and at the same time foster a sense of citizenship by abiding the law.

*California Vehicle Code States the following:*

*Section 21212(A) A person under 18 years of age shall not operate a bicycle, a non-motorized scooter, or a skateboard, nor shall they wear in-line or roller skates, nor ride upon a bicycle, a non-motorized scooter, or a skateboard as a passenger, upon a street, bikeway, as defined in Section 890.4 of the Streets and Highways Code, or any other public bicycle path or trail unless that person is wearing a properly fitted and fastened bicycle helmet that meets the standards of either the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) or the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), or standards subsequently established by those entities.*

In an effort to reinforce this safety law, we are requesting support from adults at home.

Every time a student is riding a bike, scooter, skateboard, etc. they must wear a properly positioned and fastened helmet.

Here, at Heritage, we will implement the following:

- All students must sign the Helmet Pledge and return it other with welcome packet materials

**Students who are in violation of this law will lose their privilege of riding to school for 1 month (4 weeks).**

Please read and sign the Helmet Pledge and be safe!



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Helmet Pledge for: \_\_\_\_\_

Print student name

I, the student:

- Pledge that I will ride with a properly positioned helmet.
- Pledge that I will keep my helmet secured on my head while riding.
- Pledge that I will ride safely, following traffic laws.
- Pledge that I will remember to walk not ride once I reach the sidewalk on school grounds.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_

ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

We, the school administration and staff:

- Pledge to require all riders to wear properly positioned helmets
- Pledge to talk with students regarding the benefits and the law of wearing a helmet
- Pledge to strictly enforce this law and violators will lose their riding privilege