

Dear Councilmember Track Park,

I would like to start by saying as a voter and donator of yours, I am excited to have you as our local council representative. You assured our community you would help restore our public safety, so I hope you can help with this matter.

I am writing this letter to you with a sense of great concern regarding the dangerous situation that our community is currently facing. As a long-term resident of Sawtelle Blvd in Los Angeles, CA, just south of Palms Ave, I have witnessed an alarming number of cars that are speeding through our neighborhood on a daily basis. The fact that Windward School is located alongside our street makes this situation even more serious.

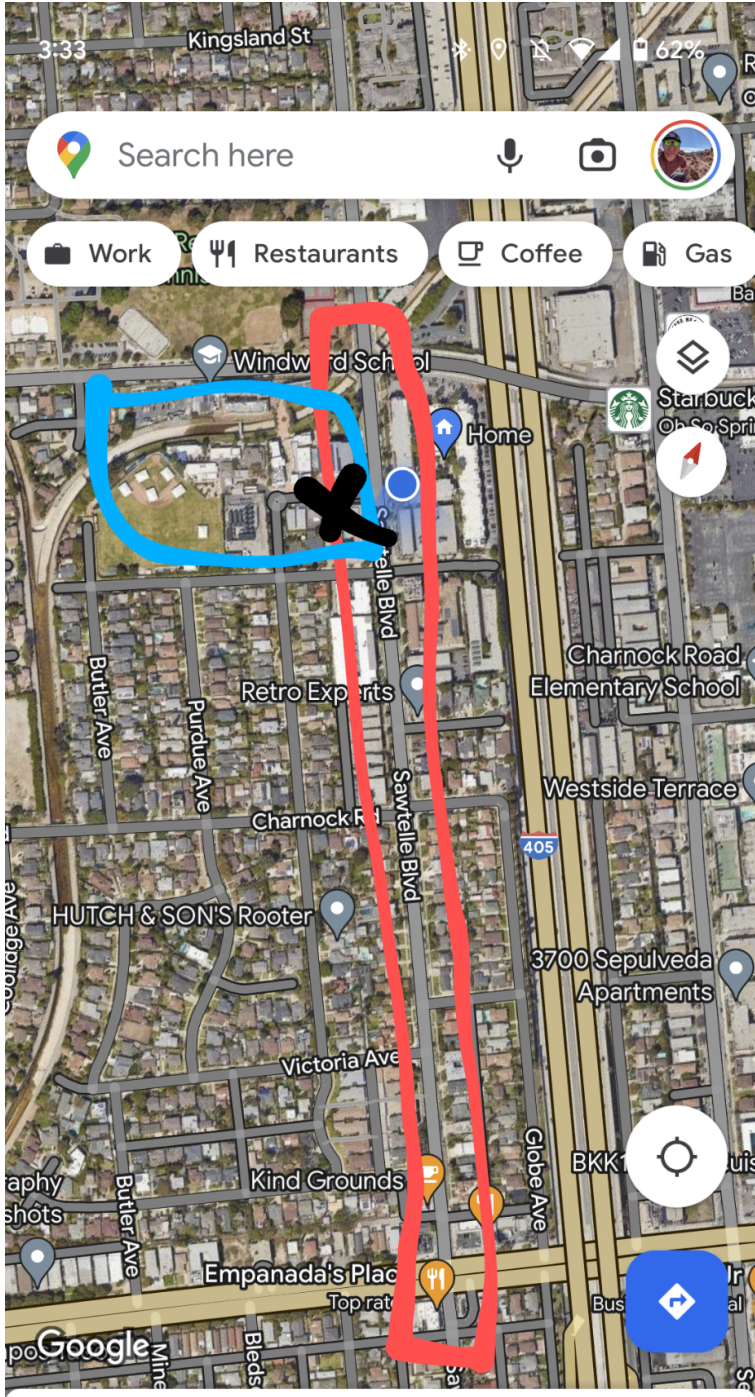
Despite the speed limit being set at 25 miles per hour due to the presence of the school, drivers regularly exceed this limit by reaching speeds of 50-60 miles per hour on the 1/2 mile stretch between Venice Blvd and Palms Avenue. This puts not only the students of Windward School at risk but also the residents of our community. As students are getting out of school, they are at a serious risk of being hit by these speeding drivers. Moreover, cars making a left turn into the school entrance on Sawtelle are constantly honked at, and I have witnessed many accidents occurring due to the lack of a protected left turn lane for them to enter. These accidents include cars being rear-ended, which can lead to serious injuries.

In addition to the above, we have weekly occurrences of illegal street racing in the evenings, which poses a severe threat to the safety of our community. It is imperative that we control the speed of traffic to remove these weekly occurrences of illegal speed racing.

Given the gravity of this situation, I strongly propose multiple courses of action to be taken immediately. Firstly, we need speed bumps to be installed along Sawtelle Blvd to control the speed of traffic. Secondly, we need stop signs to be installed at Sawtelle Blvd and Westminster Avenue to ensure that the drivers slow down and prevent accidents. These actions will significantly reduce the speed of traffic and minimize the risks that our community is currently facing.

I urge you to take this matter seriously and take immediate action to address this hazardous situation. Failure to do so may result in further accidents, loss of life, and continued illegal street racing. I trust that you will do everything in your power to ensure the safety and well-being of our community.

I have attached a photo of the map of Sawtelle Blvd between Venice Blvd and Palms Avenue represented by a red box, where there is currently no stop sign in place for traffic traveling north or south on Sawtelle Blvd. A blue box represents Windward School, with a black X to indicate the entrance.



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