



## Colonial Estate Association



### Safe Play Letter February 2010

Dear Colonial Estates Homeowner;

In the past, a number of homeowners have noticed children playing unsafely around the units and in the street. The Board is concerned and has therefore come up with a few general guidelines for children to follow while playing. Please go over these expectations with your children so that they remain safe.

If you happen to see children who are not playing safely, please bring this to their parents' attention with either a phone call or a written letter. If you feel that the behavior is a serious concern, you may also mention to the parents that you will let the Board know.

- General Play
  - Children should be safe when playing (Fighting, hitting, or kicking is not safe.)
  - Buildings, garage, or other common elements are not to be played with.
  - Please respect homeowner's property, belongings, pets, and privacy.
  - Try to play away from unit windows and do not look in them.
  - Only play with things that are yours unless you ask the owner first.
  - Do not leave toys in traffic areas.
  - Use appropriate language. (There are young children in the area.)
  - Listen to homeowners if they ask you to do something or to play somewhere else.
- Bikes
  - If children have bike helmets, they should wear them whenever biking.
  - Bikes should be ridden on the blacktop areas or down the road, not on the lawn or behind units.
  - Please do not leave bikes unattended in other people's yards, in parking areas, or on the road.
- Traffic
  - Please look both ways when crossing the blacktop areas where cars pass.
  - If walking, biking, or playing on the blacktop, please step to the side and allow cars to pass.
- Landscaping
  - Bushes, shrubs and plants in front of units or besides the garages should not be played with.
- Dumpster Area
  - The dumpster area is not a safe place for play.
  - Items placed in or around the dumpster are to be removed by the trash removal company.
- Water Building
  - The small building by building 54 is our water building and is accessed everyday.
  - Please do not enter the building or tamper with the structure.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We want this community to be a place where our children can play safely. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the CEHA Board.

Sincerely,

Colonial Estates Homeowners Association Board