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Re: AAVA Stickers for AY 2015-2016 - General Assembly of Parents and Guardians

Dear Parents and Guardians of De La Salle Santiago Zobel School (DLSZ):

This is an update regarding Board Resolution No. 2015-02-01 (the Resolution) dated February 25, 2015 of the Board of Governors of Ayala Alabang Village Association, Inc. (AAVA). The Resolution was the subject of Parents' Bulletin No. 11 dated April 20, 2015.

As of this writing, details of the implementation of the Resolution remain under discussion between AAVA and DLSZ. To date, there have been at least three (3) meetings between AAVA and DLSZ regarding the Resolution. Based on the most recent discussions regarding the Resolution, the following seems to be clear, *subject to further discussion and confirmation*:

- AAVA will allocate a maximum of 800 car passes to the DLSZ community. These car passes are intended to be solely for carpoolers.
- A car pass will not be in sticker form but will be a loose document designed for being displayed inside the carpooling vehicle and made visible to security personnel when the vehicle is entering and inside Ayala Alabang Village (the Village).
- To obtain a car pass, applicants must present the names of at least three (3) students and agree that the students named will be transported to school on school days in a carpooling vehicle. One (1) car pass will be issued to each group of carpoolers.
- Each car pass will be shared within the group of carpoolers and may be moved from vehicle to vehicle within the same group to allow carpoolers to rotate vehicles.

Other details of the implementation of the Resolution (<u>such as, entrance to the Village without car passes</u>, the possible issuance of car stickers in addition to car pool passes, <u>exceptions to policies (if any)</u>, <u>and pricing, etc.</u>) are under discussion. While AAVA has presented its plans and views on these details to DLSZ representatives in private meetings, we will communicate the details and provide further instructions to the DLSZ community once AAVA confirms its decision on these details.

We expect that parents and guardians will raise issues regarding students who are unable to carpool or cannot be transported to school other than through non-carpooling private vehicles due to or under special or unique personal circumstances. The administration of DLSZ is fully aware of these issues, and has raised and will continue to discuss these issues with AAVA.

While discussions are ongoing, we reiterate previous appeals made to the entire DLSZ community to make arrangements for carpooling as an alternative transportation mode for students and DLSZ employees. The effect of carpooling arrangements on the volume of vehicles that will enter the Village on school days will demonstrate the DLSZ community's good faith in working with AAVA. In the interest of furthering its relationships in the community, DLSZ is exerting best efforts toward working with AAVA in a collaborative environment, even as DLSZ is and continues to be prepared to take and defend firm positions on issues whenever it deems to be reasonably appropriate.

In light of the relative complexity of effecting changes to the routine and practices of DLSZ families, we have scheduled a general assembly of DLSZ parents and guardians on May 27, 2015, 6:00 p.m., at the Sylvia P. Lina Theater, Center for Performing Arts Building, DLSZ campus. In this general assembly, the implementation of the Resolution will be clarified and issues relating to traffic management and community relations will be discussed. Parents and guardians (including those who reside in the Village) are highly encouraged to attend.

We will continue to update the DLSZ community of further developments. The DLSZ administration is sensitive to timing constraints and is working toward an early resolution of the relevant issues.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Advancement & Communications Office at 771-DLSZ local 748 or send an email to adcomm@dlszobel.edu.ph.

Yours in St. La Salle,

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