



SSc4.1 Schools Option 3, Sample Narrative

The Apache Kindergarten Addition is located adjacent to the existing Apache Elementary School and will share the existing vehicle drop-off area on the north side of the school grounds. Due to space constraints with the existing drop-off area and sidewalks that parallel the drop-off lane, the project will not be able to provide a dedicated bike lane adjacent to vehicle traffic in the drop-off area or on the adjacent sidewalk. In order to meet the intent of this piece of the credit requirements, the project proposes to require bicyclers to dismount at the school property and walk their bikes into the bike rack. To support the adoption of this practice, signage will be posted at the west and east entrances to the school grounds. The attached site plan notes the location of the proposed signage and associated sidewalks. Two additional characteristics of the project site and surrounding neighborhood support this alternative compliance path.

1. The east-west road immediately north of the school grounds (Copper Ave) has dedicated bike lanes in both directions and the north-south road just to the west of the school grounds (Cheltwood Park Ave) also has dedicated bike lanes running north of Copper Ave and is a dedicated bike route (City of Albuquerque) running south of Copper. See neighborhood bike routes attached.
2. The entrance to the school grounds is approximately 150ft from the bike racks. This distance is less than the 200 yards allowed for proximity of bike racks and showers to the building entrance. Requiring bicyclers to dismount at the school grounds is not expected to deter occupants from riding bikes to the school.