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Dear members of the Shoreline City Council,

For the last 5 years I was a parent of a child attending Cascade K8 Community School at the Aldercrest Campus. During the time there were some "improvements" to the street in front of the school that actually made the street less safe and the situations for pedestrians confusing and dangerous. The roadway was significantly narrowed and now requires cars to change directions several times as they approach the school from the north. The east side of 200th has a sidewalk that ends inexplicably short of the intersection at the north end of the block. This forces pedestrians to join the lane of moving traffic or cross mid-block to the west side of the street where there is no sidewalk and into the area where cars routinely turn from the west to south bound 200th (across a marked, but unsafely terminated crosswalk). There are no curbs to separate the vehicle traffic from the pedestrians.

Please prioritize this area for new safer design before a child is killed.

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