Dear Stanford West Dog Owners:

We have had a few recent complaints from the City of Palo Alto and residents who have had uncomfortable encounters with dogs off leash around the property. We are reaching out to our residents to remind them of our rules and regulations concerning keeping dogs on leashes and cleaning pet litter. Knowing and abiding by our community’s animal-related ordinances will help make our neighborhood a better place for everyone.

As a member of the Stanford West Community and a resident of the City of Palo Alto you must:

**Keep your dog on a Leash:**

**All dogs** must be controlled on a leash by an able-bodied person, **at all times**, even when under supervision, whenever the dog is on public property. This includes all parks, sidewalks, streets, school grounds and the Baylands marsh areas or while on an unenclosed lot. The leash law is strictly enforced, but certain dog exercise areas have been created as playgrounds for exercising your dog off-leash (see below).

**Palo Alto**

- Mitchell Park- 600 East Meadow (one block west of Middlefield). The exercise area is located at the south side of the park, behind Spangler School.
- Greer Park- 1098 Amarillo (at Amarillo and West Bayshore). The exercise area is located at the west side of the park.
- Hoover Park- 2901 Cowper (at Cowper and El Dorado). The exercise area is located at the south side of the park, next to the creek.
- Foothill Park- Dogs permitted on weekdays only. 3300 Page Mill Rd.

**Menlo Park**

- Nealon Park- 800 Middle Ave. Dogs are allowed to play off-leash Monday thru Friday from 8AM to 10AM.
- Willow Oaks Park- Willow Road and Coleman Ave. Dogs allowed 7 days a week, 7AM to 9AM, and 4PM-Dusk.

**Caring for our Community:**

It is not only inconsiderate but also against the law to allow your pet to defecate on public property and not clean it up. You must clean up after your pet when it relieves itself on a sidewalk, street, in the entryway to any multiple dwellings or business used in common by the public, or on private property. For your convenience we are listing below some the local dog parks.

For more information concerning pets please go to our website at [http://stanfordwest.stanford.edu](http://stanfordwest.stanford.edu)