You may not see them, but they see you!

Did you know a plover chick is the size of a cotton ball at birth?

Can you find the two plover chicks hiding in the sand?
Plover chicks need safe places to hide from predators and often use grass in the dunes for cover.

You can help protect these fragile young by observing the fence line and not entering the closure. Pets are not allowed on the beach from May 15 to September 15.
Please don’t make the birds fly or they may abandon their chicks!

Adult plovers will let their chicks climb under their wings for warmth and safety.
Plover Fun Fact:
Did you know that baby plovers are mobile and run near the waves to feed within hours of birth?

Please walk around the closed areas by staying close to the water. This will give the chicks room to feed and not interrupt their habits.

Stand quietly and watch how fast they can run.
What is that metal cage?
It’s called a “predator exclusion cage”.

Predators can’t get in but the plovers can run out to feed. The adults and their eggs are protected during the crucial incubation period.

The chicks need to feed and get strong so they can fly all the way to the Coast of Mexico for the winter.
Help us give our nesting plovers a chance at survival!

It takes a month for the young to learn to fly. They are fragile and need our help! Do not disturb them. Enjoy these amazing birds from a distance. Some birds arrive in March so leash your pets for an early Spring walk.