



Parent Pick Up/ Drop Off Update for 2021-22 School Year

Please review these procedures and communicate your daily plan with your student(s) to alleviate any confusion at the end of the school day.

Buses will drop off and pick up students in the North Lot off of Sheridan. **This parking lot may be used by buses and staff ONLY.** For the safety of our students, the North Lot is closed to **all** parents and visitors. At the end of the school day, students who ride the bus will exit the building through their hallway corridor doors on the east or west end and be escorted to the North Lot by staff to board buses.

The South Lot at the front entrance is parent pick up/drop off for 4th and 5th grade students. The lot has been striped to reflect a pick up lane along the sidewalk and parking spaces for building visitors on the opposite side facing the road. We ask that the pick up lane on the right side is used and that cars **pull all the way forward** to allow more cars to fit and the process to go smoothly. Stopping at the beginning or middle will back up the cars on Marquette. **Please do not park and walk up or send students across in this area as there will not be a crossing guard present.** Also there is only 1 pick up lane. The other lane is for driving through only. *It is strongly recommended that students enter and exit the vehicle from the passenger side to ensure student safety.*

The West Lot is the Parent Pick Up/Drop Off for 2nd and 3rd grade students. For parents and guardians who wish to park and walk across to pick up their student, a crossing guard will be present. Please model safe crossing by using the crosswalk and following the directions provided by the crossing guards. In this lot, the lane along the sidewalk is for parent pick up and drop off. The other lane to the left is for driving through only. *It is strongly recommended that students enter and exit the vehicle from the passenger side to ensure student safety.*

Please pull all the way forward as space becomes available, and when leaving, follow the loop of the parking lot all the way around to exit onto Marquette.

If you have students in multiple grades (for example 2nd and 5th), we recommend using the West Lot as the younger students will be closer to their entrances.

Beginning of the School Day Procedures:

This year, students will go directly to their classrooms at drop off. Please do not drop off students prior to 8:10AM on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays or 9:25AM on Wednesdays as there will not be supervision for students and they are not permitted on the playground. As students arrive, we strongly recommend that unvaccinated students wear their mask when exiting the vehicle and walk to the entrance doors. 2nd and 3rd grade students will enter through the doors leading to their hallways on the west side whether they are using buses or parent transportation. 4th and 5th graders who are bused will use the entrances to their hallways on the east side of the building and 4th and 5th grade students

who are transported by parents will enter through the front building doors. At 8:10AM (9:25AM on Wednesdays), the first bell will ring and staff will open the doors to the grade level corridors and front entrance. Students will enter the building, and proceed to their classroom. School begins at 8:20 a.m. (9:35 on Wednesdays). If your student arrives after this time, please park in the front lot and sign your student in at the office window. Students may not arrive early, as there is no supervision available before 8:10AM. Signing students in makes it an excused tardy instead of an unexcused tardy.

End of the School Day Procedures:

School ends at 3:15p.m. each day. Please ensure that your student knows the plan for the end of the day **before** they come to school in the morning (riding the bus, parent pick up, day care). If there is an emergency change during the school day, you must contact the office by 1:45 p.m. so we can ensure that all students receive their messages.

It is strongly recommended that unvaccinated students wear masks when exiting until they are in their vehicle or exit the school bus.

Please ensure that students are picked up on time from school each day at 3:15. The office staff is not responsible to provide day care before or after school. After school day care is available through community education for families who require after school care.

Due to several instances last school year, the following procedures from our school handbook will be enforced when students are picked up late from school:

1st Offense: Parent will receive a warning

2nd Offense: Parent will be required to come in for a meeting

3rd Offense: The authorities will be contacted

Middle school and high school students picking up younger students are not allowed on school property until the dismissal bell rings at 3:15p.m., unless they are accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Important Busing Change: All students needing transportation will need to register for busing. All students riding the bus need to complete the Orchard View Transportation Form. Students will only be allowed to use one pick up and one drop off address. Students will not be allowed to ride buses or get off at stops other than the one selected on the transportation form.

We are looking forward to a wonderful school year and believe that if everyone follows these procedures, frustrations with parent pick up and drop off will be reduced and every child can arrive and be picked up from school safely.