

ZWMS Traffic Reminders - Though rare, students in other districts – even in Indiana – have suffered serious and fatal injury crossing traffic in drop-off and pick-up situations. We wish not to create such a hazard for our students and your children and have worked closely with State-trained School Safety Specialists and our public agency partners in the ZPD to examine our traffic procedures in our front parking lot. Please follow the procedures detailed below in order to ensure the greatest safety for students and most efficient drop-off/pick-up as possible. Additional information about arranging for early medical appointment release is included as well.

****Also worth noting: **Statistically speaking, the ABSOLUTE SAFEST mode of transportation for a child to and from school is a school bus.** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that, as an annual average, 58% of student fatalities during school hours occur when a TEEN is driving, 23% occur with an ADULT driver and only 1% occur when traveling by SCHOOL BUS (the remainder falls under “other.”

MORNING DROP-OFF PROCEDURES



Between 8:20-8:50am each morning, traffic in front of our school is reduced to one lane traveling one-way from the South entrance across the front of our building (indicated in green). Drivers should pull cars all the way to the end of the front sidewalk - NOT stopping at the crosswalk - and release students once the line of cars across the entire sidewalk is stopped. This allows for many more students to exit cars at a time and will speed up the rate at which cars progress through our drive. **The North drive during these hours is a one-way EXIT ONLY,** and the second lane west of the school is closed (indicated in red). These procedures will prevent students from needing to cross in front of cars during the morning rush.

