



Maple Hill Elementary School

KIDS FIRST...Every Student, Every Day

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Safety for Our Kids

Dear Parents,

Our students are our greatest treasures. The safety of all our children is our number one priority and responsibility. It is crucial and critical that all parents follow the posted traffic signs and traffic laws to ensure the safety of our children. Some areas of concern have developed over the past few weeks and I want to take the opportunity to address these concerns, so that all students and family members arrive to school safely.

- First, are the crosswalks. When approaching any of our three crosswalks, you **MUST** slow down as you approach the crosswalk regardless if you see children or not. Children might not look both ways when entering the cross walk and it is our duty to be cautious when we drive through all crosswalks. We all need to slow down our vehicles when approaching all crosswalks.
- Second, all U-Turns are **illegal** on Maple Hill Road. When you make a U-Turn, you are putting yourself, your passengers, children crossing the crosswalk, and other cars at-risk for an accident.
- Third, no parents are allowed to park in the school parking lot. Unless you have a “Disabled Person Parking Pass” and you will be exiting your vehicle to pick up a student. We have many students crossing the parking lot and we cannot have parents driving through the lot, or backing up their cars when children are present.
- Our fourth area of concern are the Unloading and Loading Zones along Maple Hill Road. These loading zones are available for student drop-off and pick-up. **We have THREE zones.** The 1st zone is the sidewalk before the main entrance driveway to the school, the 2nd zone is the sidewalk between the main entrance driveway to the school and the exit driveway from the school, the 3rd zone is the sidewalk between the exit driveway from the school and the street, Bird’s Eye. Here are the laws for these zones:
 - Parents pull up to the curb side. Parent **should not** get out of the vehicle. Your child should have their backpack next to them in the car.
 - Student exits on the right side of the vehicle, the passenger side, and grabs their backpack on their own.
 - Once student has safely exited the vehicle, parent drives off.
 - **There is NO parking in any of these zones.**
 - You cannot leave one adult in the car, and have another adult walk the child to the gate. This is considered parking.
 - If you would like to park your vehicle and walk your child to the gate, then you must park on the sidewalk alongside Maple Hill Park.

For the safety of our children, please drive with caution when you are in the vicinity of the school. I know we all live busy lives and we have stressful schedules, but let’s take the time to slow down when it comes to the safety of our children.

Sincerely,

Kelly Morris
Principal of Maple Hill Elementary School

