

Student Drop Off

- 1 Follow the school's recommended traffic plans. Picking your own route and drop-off area not only disrupts the normal traffic flow but it also makes it less safe for children and inconvenient for the parents who are following the rules.
- 2 Pull as far forward as possible in the unloading zones. All the way to the front of the unloading zone or until the car in front of you stops. 3 – 4 feet between cars is a good distance. This allows more parents to drop off at the same time and speeds up the "drop-off" process. Being considerate helps everyone. Tomorrow it could be you stuck at the back of the line.
- 3 Follow school staff directions, they are only trying to expedite the unloading process and make things safer for your children. Don't blame them for the traffic.
- 4 Make sure your child is ready to get out of the car when you reach the unloading zone. Have all books, lunches and backpacks close at hand, not in the trunk or back of the car. All students should exit on the right side of the vehicle.
- 5 Unload as quickly as possible but make sure your children are out and the car doors are closed before moving. Give your hugs at home, not in the unloading zone.
- 6 Do not park in the loading zone. Drivers are never permitted to exit their cars in the loading zone.
- 7 Leaving home a few minutes early could mean missing the school traffic altogether. Most school congestion only lasts 20-25 minutes. Consider setting up car pools with neighbors or using the bus system. Walking your kids to school is a healthy alternative and allows you time to walk to your children. Fewer cars at school results in less waiting and more importantly, a safer school.

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