

*****TRAFFIC PLAN 2009-2010*****

The safety of all students is a top priority at Settlers Way Elementary. To ensure the safety of all Settlers Way students, we are asking parents to carefully follow the dropoff and dismissal procedures stated below.

Drop-off Procedures:

The only place to drop-off children in the morning is at the cafeteria doors in the cafeteria circle driveway. Front door drop-off in the front circle driveway is **only** for daycare, bus, and Deaf Co-op students. No students should be dropped off in the back faculty parking lot at any time. The cafeteria doors are locked at 8:05 a.m. If you arrive after this time, you may then drop your children off at the front doors but they will be considered tardy since school begins at 8:00 a.m.

Pick-up Procedures:

Car drivers shall pick-up students in the cafeteria circle driveway in front of the cafeteria. The children's names should be placed in the window of each car so that teachers on duty will be able to call the children by name to each car. Please remain in your car to pick up your child to help the traffic flow. **Also, please do not use cell phones in the car rider line. It is a distraction that could possibly result in an unsafe situation.**

*** Students should have a regular, standard way they go home every day.**

Please do not call the front office within the last 30 minutes of school to change your child's route home. Students should know how they are going to get home every day before they arrive to school. We will not deviate the way a student goes home except (1.) written notice provided to the teacher the morning of the change in the transportation plan or (2.) notification is received at the front office PRIOR to 2:30 in the afternoon.

Walkers and bike riders will be dismissed through the front doors of the school. Teachers will escort these children to the crossing guards and help students cross the street. **Due to our larger student population, we are asking that if you walk to pickup your child, please meet them at the bike racks on school property or the tennis courts at the corner of SettlersWay Boulevard and Greenfields.** Please do not walk across the street if you park on Greenfields. You will need to use the crossing guard to come across the street if you park there. Because of lack of space, please do not stand by the cafeteria doors to pick up your child. The front circle driveway will be closed to traffic at dismissal time.

Buses and daycare students will be dismissed through the faculty parking lot on Settlers Way Boulevard.

Please inform your child as to what he/she is to do when severe weather conditions exist. **Walkers and bikers must have a rainy day plan on file with their homeroom teacher.** Students who usually walk or ride bikes home will not be dismissed until the severe weather conditions are over. Severe weather conditions include lightning and rain. We will dismiss students when it is sprinkling or misting, so please make sure your child carries an umbrella in their backpack.

Please understand that these policies are implemented to ensure your child's safety. We sincerely appreciate everyone's cooperation.