

Dear Southside Families:

Greetings! The First few days of school are quite busy. Everyone is excited to the return of school from a summer break. Students are renewing old friendships and making new ones.

Drop off and pick-up of students seems to be a chaotic part of the first day and any other school day. Listed below are the procedures for drop-off and pick-up.

Before School:

1. Drop children off in the main parking lot starting at 7:45 AM. A staff member is on duty to supervise children at this time. Pull as far forward along the sidewalk running North and South to allow more cars in the parking lot. Please keep the traffic moving as quickly as possible. Please park in a parking space if an extended stay is needed.
2. All students will be in the gym from 7:45 to 8:25 for morning Rise and Shine.

After School:

1. All Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grade students riding home in a car will be picked up on the South End of the building except for the students who have an older sibling or peer they ride home with in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades. Those students will meet their older sibling or peer on the North End of the building to be picked up from school.
2. All 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students being picked up from school will load into their cars at the North end of the building. The cars will use the main parking lot for a double file line.
3. Students walking home or being picked up in the First Baptist Church Parking lot will be escorted across the highway by a faculty or staff member.
4. Students going to Bright Beginnings Daycare will wait in the cafeteria for a staff member to pick them up.
5. For the safety and security of all the children, please do not pick up children from the classroom after-school. Before anyone goes to a classroom, they must have checked in at the office. Do not be offended if you are asked to return to the office to check in if you are without proper identification.
6. Please make after-school arrangements before school with your child. This will help avoid the confusion about where the child is going after school. If other arrangements are made, a note sent with the child and given to their teacher is the best solution.

Thank you for helping with the drop off and pick up procedures. We are working to make a safer and quicker afternoon pick-up. If you have any questions, please call the school at 279-0480.

On behalf of the Southside Faculty and Staff, I would like to welcome the new students and parents to our "Southside Family". We look forward to working with you to make this a successful school year.

With Southside Pride,

Doug Flanary