



Stephen J. Gerace Elementary School

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Mr. Matthew Reiner, Principal

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Arrival and dismissal are busy times and we must all be aware of our surroundings to ensure everyone's safety. Traffic procedures will work the same as the 2020-21 school year. Student arrival begins at 8:20 A.M. and school begins at 8:30 A.M. During the 10 minute arrival time, please adhere to the following:

- We have designated doors for student entrance. School Entrance and Exit locations for the 21-22 school year are as follows:
 - Kindergarten - Door by the new gym in front of school (Breezeway)
 - Grade 1- Front door (Under the overhang)
 - Grade 2- Front door (Under the overhang)
 - Grade 3- Door by the library (On the back black top)
 - Grade 4- Door by the library (On the back black top)
 - Grade 5- Door by the new gym in front of school (Breezeway)
 - B & G Club - Use the doors by the gym (for drop off and pick up- before and after school)
- Parents who want to walk their children to the grade level door in the morning are to park in the small parking lot to the right of the SJG parking lot entrance (in front of the gym). Please plan to bring your child to the door and to leave them there. We will be bringing students right into the hallway. This is to avoid crowds and congregating. If there is a line for entry, students are asked to socially distance themselves. If you are walking your child to the door, please wait in line to get into the parking lot along with the other cars on the Boulevard. Do not cut the line.
- The car line for drop off will still be the same. We ask that everyone still proceeds in line as far up as possible until the line stops. Students should exit vehicles on the curbside. Students will be directed to their entry points. We ask that no driver side doors get opened while in the drop off line as it is very dangerous. For pick up, if you have multiple children, we ask that younger children get picked up first.
- For pick up (at the same doors as entry), parents can park in the parking lot, in a parking space. No one should park along the curb line, even for a short time. These are designated fire lanes and they will be enforced. This also poses an issue with sight lines for drivers and we will have students and parents entering the parking lot to get to their vehicles.

Many of you have multiple children that will enter/exit through different doors. I am asking you to adhere to the entry/exit point for your child. For example, if you are dropping off a kindergarten student and fourth grade student, you should pull up in line, your children can exit the car together and your kindergarten age child can enter the building through the gym breezeway doors while your fourth grade student will walk to their entrance on the black top. We ask that you do not stop multiple times in line.

We look forward to a smooth drop off and pick up each day. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Matthew Reiner
Principal