



North Boulevard Elementary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome back! The information in this letter will help us all work together to ensure the safety of everyone at North Boulevard during drop-off and pick-up. As our staff, parents, and students enter and exit our parking lot, we must remain patient and alert. Children are excited to see teachers, family, and friends. Many students choose to walk or ride bicycles but do not have the same level of responsibility as the adults who drive or assist students. As adults, we need you to lead the way so that our children are kept safe.

Parents wishing to park and walk their children to the doors must park on the street or in the back gym lot. No K-5 parents should be parking in the front lot and attempting to cross children through two lanes of moving traffic. Sun glare, starting and stopping vehicles, and merging traffic create even greater safety challenges. Students (only) enter the building through their assigned entrance. All parents and/or visitors must check in and be cleared through the main entrance security vestibule.

NOTE: WE HAVE A FORM FOR PARENTS ON DISMISSAL PROCEDURES ([Policy 8601 Pupil Supervision After School Dismissal](#)) THAT MUST BE FILLED OUT AND RETURNED THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

CROSSING GUARDS ARE ON DUTY IN THE STREETS IN FRONT OF AND BEHIND THE SCHOOL TO HELP YOU.

Please observe the following guidelines:

- 1. Crosswalk Safety: Please** take special care and park only in legal areas on the streets surrounding the school (Boulevard, Elizabeth Avenue, and West End Avenue). Do not park within 25 feet on either side of a crosswalk or 50 feet from a stop sign (this is the law). Help the crossing guards keep our children safe. Crossing Guards may only stop traffic to cross students and may not direct traffic. We would prefer you drop off at the curbside to reduce the number of people around the school sidewalks.
- 2. Keep to the right** when entering the parking lot; circle **slowly** around to drop off and pick up your children **only** at the curb in front of the building where marked. Always follow the entire traffic pattern around the full perimeter of the parking lot. Do not idle or park in the bus or fire zones.
- 3. If you need to walk your child to the main sidewalk or door area, you must park in the back lot by the gym or on the street.** We do not allow students to cross the two lanes of moving traffic even with an adult. Students crossing a busy parking lot can be in serious and sudden danger. The combination of cars pulling out of line to leave quickly, merging, and sun glare can lead to a serious

injury.

4. **Preschool and special program parents must park their vehicles in the parking lot and walk their children to their door area for drop-off.** Handicapped spots are available for those with these decals or permits. It is vital that preschool and special program parents bring students on time in order to have a smooth transition into the day and to keep our parking lot safe. We have staggered the start and end times of our preschool and special programs to allow for greater space and time for these students and their families.
5. No backing-up of vehicles in the traffic lane during student dismissal time.
6. Visitors to the school should also park in the rear parking area only, not in the traffic lane, and not in the front of the building. **Do not park or block the area marked for bus drop-off and pick-up.** Upon exiting the parking lot, keep to the right to avoid incoming traffic. **NO LEFT TURNS out of the lot at drop-off or dismissal.** While this may be inconvenient, safety must be the priority while also maintaining a reasonable flow of traffic.
7. No parking (leaving your vehicle) or standing (remaining in a stopped vehicle) is allowed at the curb-side anywhere in our parking lot. Buses, school vehicles, or vendor deliveries only may use the curb in this fashion for approved needs.
8. If you cannot find a spot when you need to park, circle slowly with the traffic pattern until a spot opens or exit and park on the street. Please don't pull through the handicapped parking lot section located near the traffic island with the American flag.
9. **No Left Hand Turn** – Again, please do not make a left-hand turn as you exit the North Boulevard driveway. Pequannock Township has made the turn illegal on a permanent basis and you will be subject to a moving violation if you turn. **Please obey the law.**
10. **Please follow the directions of the security guard and crossing guard at all times.**

Please do not congregate around entrance and exit areas.

Please see the [traffic maps](#) to identify which entrance and exit your child will use for their class or grade level. In some cases, the entrance and exit doors are different for a class or grade level.

Thank you for your care and cooperation as we work together to keep everyone safe here at NB!
Please feel free to contact me at school whenever you have a concern or question.

Sincerely,

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