

**Dear DIA Families,**

**As we kick off a new school year, we want to remind everyone of the importance of adhering to our drop-off and pick-up procedures. These guidelines are essential for ensuring the safety of all our students, staff, and families.**

### **Why Follow Drop-off and Pick-up Procedures?**

- 1. Student Safety:** The safety of our students is our top priority. By following the designated routes and procedures, we minimize the risk of accidents or injuries. Children can be unpredictable, and following these rules helps keep everyone safe.
- 2. Smooth Traffic Flow:** Proper adherence to drop-off and pick-up procedures helps maintain a smooth traffic flow, reducing congestion around the school. This ensures that everyone can get in and out efficiently and safely.
- 3. Respect for Our Community:** By following these procedures, we show respect for our school community, including our neighbors. This helps maintain a positive relationship with those who live around the school.
- 4. Efficient School Operations:** Following these guidelines helps our staff focus on their primary responsibility—educating and caring for your children—instead of managing traffic issues.

### **Key Reminders for Drop-off and Pick-up:**

- Follow the Posted Signs:** Pay attention to and follow all posted signs around the school grounds. They are there for everyone's safety. **(THERE ARE NO LEFT TURNS OUT OF OUR EAST PARKING LOTS DURING DISMISSAL)**
- Use Designated Areas:** Only use the designated drop-off and pick-up zones. Do not park or leave your car in undesignated areas, or allow your child out of the car before the drop off zone.
- Stay in Your Vehicle:** For a quick and safe drop-off and pick-up, please stay in your vehicle.
- Be Patient and Courteous:** We understand that everyone is in a hurry, but patience and courtesy go a long way in keeping our community safe.
- Follow the Staff's Directions:** Our staff members are present to guide traffic and ensure safety. Please follow their instructions at all times.

### **Let's Work Together!**

**We appreciate your cooperation in following these procedures. Working together, we can ensure a safe and smooth drop-off and pick-up process for everyone. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community.**

**Stay safe and have a wonderful week!**

**DIA student Pickup/Drop Off Procedures (Grades 1-5)**

**For the safety and security of ALL DIA Bobcats DO NOT CROSS WEST MAIN STREET except at Pedestrian Crossing**

**BOTTOM LINE: THERE SHOULD NEVER BE ANY PARKING ON WEST MAIN STREET NOR THE BUS LOOP.**

**Kindergarten PICK UP procedures are a bit different, as explained by this video**