



Copeland Colts

Car Rider

Procedures & Need to Knows



By choosing Car Rider transportation, you agree to:

Enter the car rider line onto Forest Heights (NO U-TURNS).

Turn Right INTO the parking lot ONLY (NO LEFT TURNS from Forest Heights).

Turn LEFT OUT of the parking lot ONLY (NO right turns LEAVING the parking lot).

Keep your child(ren) in the car until they reach the unloading zone at the front of the school.

How do I enter the line?

From Westcreek -->

The line starts on Forest Heights.

From Westgate -->

To ensure the safety of all of our Colt families, we ask that you enter from Barker Cypress at Western Pass.

Please reference the map for a visual of these procedures.

AM Unloading

Begins at 7:50

Please do not pull up until a staff member directs you to do so as it blocks staff parking spaces.

PM Loading

Begins at 3:35

Please be patient as we establish our car rider procedures.

Important!

Pick-up and drop off may only happen in the car loop when staff members are present. Students are not allowed to be dropped off or picked up on Forest Heights.

[Click here to view the car rider maps](#)





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Arrival & Dismissal Procedures CAR RIDERS

We are so excited to welcome back our Copeland Colts for the 2025 - 2026 school year! In order to efficiently and safely load and unload our students, it is imperative that everyone follows the procedures outlined here. Please provide us with your patience and grace as we all adjust to procedures in a new school year.

CAR RIDER NUMBERS:

If you misplace or need a car rider tag at anytime during the year, please contact Brooke Tucker at brooke.tucker@cfisd.net or send a note with your child.

ARRIVAL:

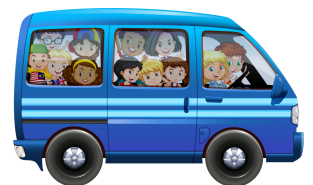
We will open the doors for students to enter the building beginning at 7:50 am. If you are the first car in the car rider loop, please stop at the end of the loop, and do not enter the parking lot. This will allow staff members and visitors to continue to park without being blocked. At 7:50 am, a staff member will signal for the first car to move forward. Our goal is to unload 10-15 cars at a time. Students will not be admitted into the building or monitored prior to 7:50 am. Keep your student in your car with you and do not drop them off at the door prior to staff members initiating the morning car rider process. Ensure that your student can unbuckle and open their car door on their own. Students should be ready to grab their backpack and hop out when it is their turn.

Parents must remain in their vehicles during the car rider process. If you need to assist your child in getting out of the car due to any unforeseen circumstances, please pull through the line and park your car in a parking spot to assist them. The instructional day begins promptly at 8:15 am, so plan to arrive with enough time for your student to get breakfast from the cafeteria (if needed) and walk to class. Students who arrive after 8:15 am must be walked to the front office and signed in to school by a parent/guardian.

DISMISSAL:

School ends at 3:35 pm at which time students will begin to be released in rounds. **Please have your car tag hanging with the number facing out, so staff can easily enter your number into our dismissal system and to match students with the correct car.** If you are the first car in the line, please stop at the end of the car rider loop and wait to be signaled by a staff member to pull into the parking lot. At 3:35, we will be moving cars forward into the parking lot. Our goal is to load 10-15 cars at a time. Please remain in your car during the afternoon pick-up process. If your child needs assistance buckling their seat belt, please pull around and park in a visitor spot after your child is loaded to assist them, so the car rider line can continue to flow.

As always, our main goal is to help all students arrive and dismiss safely!





Copeland Colts

Walker & Biker

Procedures & Need to Knows



By choosing Walker/Biker transportation, you agree to:

NOT park on Copeland property or along Forest Heights during arrival or dismissal time. ***Forest Heights is a NO Parking/ NO Student Drop Off Zone.**

Have a designated parent/guardian meet your PK and/or K student at 3:35 as we cannot release them without an adult to escort them.

Practice crosswalks and your walk path with your 1st-5th grade child(ren), so they can make it to and from home/school safely.

PM Dismissal

ALL Walkers/Bikers will exit Door 15 by the car rider loop.

PK/K Parents/Guardians will line up by the bike rack with their number cards visible.

1st-5th Parents/Guardians will wait in the grassy area closer to Forest Heights to avoid the PK/K Walker line.

1st-5th grade students are not held. They are released at 3:35 whether or not a parent is present.



Parents who choose to have their child be a walker/biker assume full responsibility for their child's safe journey to and from school.

Bikers

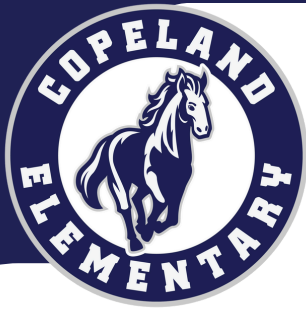
The bike rack is located by the car loop. Please make sure you have a bike lock to secure your bike to the rack.

Severe Weather

Walkers & Bikers will travel rain or shine. Should there be lightning or a tornado warning, we will take your child(ren) to the car rider line. We will communicate severe weather through School Messenger.

There will no longer be a crossing guard at the Barker Cypress crosswalk. Students who live in Westgate should ride the provided bus. Students should not cross Barker Cypress unless they are attended by a parent who will meet them at the Walker/Biker exit.

NO drop-offs on Forest Heights.



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Arrival & Dismissal Procedures WALKER & BIKER

We are so excited to welcome back our Copeland Colts for the 2025 - 2026 school year! By choosing walker/biker transportation, you are committing to your child(ren) walking/biking rain or shine.

It is imperative that everyone follows the procedures outlined here in order to make arrival and dismissal procedures as efficient and safe as possible. Due to the restoration of bus service to all students, some procedures have changed.

With bus service restored to all students, we will no longer have crossing guards at Barker Cypress. Students who live in Westgate should NOT be walkers/bikers unless parents/guardians plan to cross the street to escort students back. Students should not cross Barker Cypress without a parent or guardian.

WALKER NUMBERS:

Walker numbers will be issued to PK & Kindergarten students at Meet the Teacher and on the first day of school. To ensure your child(ren) can dismiss quickly and efficiently, please have your tag ready at dismissal to be matched with your child(ren). If you misplace your tag at any time during the year, please contact the front office for a replacement. Students in grades 1-5 will not be assigned a number and will be released from campus at 3:35, with or without an adult present, unless specifically requested otherwise.

ARRIVAL:

Doors will open at 7:50 am. ***Students should not arrive early as there is no staff to monitor them outside until 7:50.***

Students will walk/bike along the sidewalk on Forest Heights, along the parking lot, to the bike rack. From the bike rack, students will be helped across the car loop to Door 15 by school staff. Please instruct your students to stay on the sidewalks and not to cross between cars in line.

DISMISSAL:

School ends at 3:35 pm.

PK/K Parents: Please have your walker tag ready to match with your PK and/or Kinder student. ALL PK/K students MUST have a parent/guardian present at dismissal as we cannot release them without an adult to walk with them. Please arrive at your walker/biker unification spot no later than 3:35 and line up at the end of the concrete by the bike rack.

1st-5th Parents: Please wait in the grass close to Forest Heights to avoid the PK/K parent unification area.

As always, our main goal is to help all students arrive and dismiss safely!