

April 22, 2026

Dear Haldane Families:

We continue to see benefits to our new arrival and dismissal procedures on campus. On average cars are moving through the drop-off line 18 minutes faster, and our buses are loading and unloading with increased safety and efficiency.

This week, I met with Village of Cold Spring Mayor Foley and Village of Nelsonville Mayor Winward to review the community feedback related to pedestrian safety on our neighboring streets. I am happy to share that together we identified specific measures to increase the safety of our student walkers.

Short-Term

- Additional “State Law Yield to Pedestrians” signs to be placed at key intersections and side streets
- Crosswalks to be painted at the Route 301 south ends of Cedar Street, Locust Ridge, and Orchard Street

Longer-Term

- Additional crossing guard at Mountain Avenue/upper Craigsides Drive
- Potential continuation of the Cedar Street sidewalk onto campus
- Flashing crosswalk beacons (similar to those in Nelsonville). These remain on 24-hours a day, providing increased visibility and safety for students navigating to/from after-school activities.

We are grateful for your patience as we continue these traffic patterns. For those who are walking or driving to campus, we ask for increased vigilance while we roll out these safety supports.

Sincerely,
Gail Duffy, EdD
Superintendent of Schools