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*Every person, every
day, will learn, grow
and help others to feel
respected and valued.*

Hello Heritage Families,

We are off to a great start to the school year! Our students and staff are settling into routines, building relationships, and getting into the rhythm of the school year. Thank you for helping make the start of the year so positive!

Now that we have had some time to evaluate our daily procedures, I wanted to make you aware of a change you may notice before school. Beginning Monday, we will no longer have a staff member stationed at the main entrance crosswalk before school. We will continue to have a staff member holding the stop sign in the afternoon.

This change allows us to use our staffing resources where they are needed most. At this time, we need additional supervision in the cafeteria during breakfast. We appreciate your continued partnership in keeping students safe during arrival and dismissal. Please remember to follow our drop-off and pick-up expectations, including **escorting your child across the parking lot and using the designated crosswalk.**

I would also like to remind families about our district's policy regarding personal communication devices. Students are not permitted to use personal communication devices, including smartwatches and cell phones, inside the school building during the school day. Devices must be **completely powered off—not simply placed on silent or vibrate—and stored out of sight.** If you need to contact your child during the school day, please contact the school office or your child's teacher. We also ask that you discourage your child from texting or communicating with you on their device during the school day.

Finally, next week is our district's **Redbird Rally**, and we are excited to host the event here at Heritage! Please check out the event details [\[here\]](#). Families should be aware that our parking lot will be especially busy beginning around 3:00 p.m. If your child attends the Y or you are planning to volunteer or attend the event, please plan accordingly.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We are looking forward to another great week at Heritage!

Sincerely,

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