

August 15, 2025

Parkside Families,

As we get ready to start school next week, we want to update you on the SOM Center Road construction project and how it will impact bus and car traffic on and around our school campus. **On Tuesday, August 19, traffic flow will flip and all travel on SOM between ADA/Arthur Road and Linden will be northbound only.** Our transportation plans and parent pick-up/drop-off procedures accounted for this change coinciding with the start of school.

Attached to this message is our school's plan along with a map to assist you in visualizing where to enter and exit the school campus. It is also critical that you follow the directions about turning in and out of our school driveways. We created these plans to help with traffic flow and for the safety of our students. School buses have the right of way at all times. If you signed up for bus transportation, please utilize the bus and follow the instructions sent by the Transportation Department. **PLEASE ADJUST YOUR DEPARTURE TIME TO ACCOUNT FOR TRAFFIC DELAYS.**

Please contact me if you have questions.

Amanda Sullen  
Principal

#### **PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF PLANS**

##### **Morning Parent Drop-Off:**

Drivers form a car line around the perimeter of the playground parking lot by following the long driveway parallel to SOM Center Rd. During drop-off, it is helpful if your child can sit on the passenger side of the car for easy exit. Staff members are present to help students exit the car safely.

##### **Afternoon Parent Pick-Up:**

A car line will form similarly for dismissal at 2:30 PM. Students will be dismissed from the GYMNASIUM doors and walked to the car line.

**Please do not exit the vehicle during drop off or pick up.**

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**EXITING THE PARKSIDE/MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUS:** You will be able to turn right and head northbound out of the driveway only. Please be cautious of inbound drivers.

**Parkside Elementary School Parent Traffic Plan Map:**

