

RYDAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL INFORMATION 2023-24

2023-2024 Arrival/Dismissal Form **Needs to be completed for each child attending Rydal.**

Skyward Transportation Information

For students who are eligible for busing, please select the "Busing" tab on the left-hand side. Once in this tab, your student's busing information will be shown on the right-hand side. Please be sure to check Skyward Family Access as routes may change from year to year.

Students who have been assigned busing are encouraged to ride their assigned buses to and from school to help minimize car traffic around our school buildings. Students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade are not permitted to ride bicycles to school. Skateboards and scooters are not permitted for any student. Walkers are to stay on sidewalk areas and obey school and crossing guard personnel.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **ALL** bus students unload and load in the front loop of the school.
- Absolutely no car traffic is permitted in the bus zones at arrival/dismissal times (at EAST).
- Supervisory personnel are on duty in the bus zones, in the buildings, and on the recess yards to ensure students' safety to/from line up areas and in/out of the building.
- Parents, guardians, and visitors are not permitted in the bus loading zone or the building hallways during arrival and dismissal times.

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

- Students may arrive at Rydal West or East no earlier than 8:30 a.m.
- As buses arrive, students disembark and report to the recess yard.
- Rydal East parents should drop off students in the back parking lot near the fifth grade wing (upper parking lot). Students walk around the building to the play area. West parents should drop students off at the Meetinghouse Road entrance.
- When the 8:45 warning bell rings students are expected to line up single file by class in grade specific areas.
- Teachers pick up their classes and escort them into the building at the 8:50 a.m. bell.
- On rainy/cold days students report to the multi-purpose room of each building.
- Rydal East The "orange cone" is the signal to come indoors. Parents may drop students off by the cone in the back parking lot on inclement days.
- Between 8:30 a.m. 8:50 a.m. students should not be in the halls or classrooms without a staff member.
- After the 8:50 a.m. bell, students will only be able to enter the buildings through the main entrances. At East students enter through the front entrance. ** and at West students enter through the Main entrance off of the parking lot. **
- Students arriving after 9:00 are considered late and must be signed in at the main office by the parents.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

- Rydal West At Rydal West, teachers escort students to the bus line-up location at 3:20.
- Rydal West Parent Pick-up: Parents should arrive at the building no earlier than 3:00
 and remain in vehicles with the Rydal family placard displayed in the window. The family
 placard will be distributed on the first day of school. Students will be called to the car
 line at the Meetinghouse Road entrance.
- **Rydal East** students are dismissed with the 3:20 p.m. bell.
- Rydal East car riders are dismissed from the back parking lot doors (upper parking lot). Parents should remain in their cars in the car lane to meet their child/ren and display the Rydal family placard in their windshield to expedite pick-up.
- Students who walk home are dismissed through the front entrance (East only).
- In case of a change in normal dismissal routine, the parent must provide a note to the teacher or call the office prior to dismissal to inform the school of the change. Please do not send an email! Buses cannot be used to transport children to play dates.
- All kindergarten students are expected to be met by a parent/guardian at the bus stop.
 Parents should make sure their child's bus driver knows who/what to expect at their child's stop.