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Dear Meridian Elementary Mustang Families,

It's finally here! The letter about morning drop-off you've all been waiting for! As the official observer of the morning drop-off routine, I've gained some great insights over the last two months. I'd like to share them with you so that you can be voted the most popular parking lot parent. If we all chip in, we'll have a delightful drop-off experience. (Okay, 'delightful' might be a stretch, but you get the point.)

Setting my poor attempts at humor aside, we now have more families dropping off their children than ever before. This is causing some serious congestion. This message highlights two broad themes:

- 1) safety
- 2) efficiency

For a pleasant drop-off experience, we ask that families please observe the following:

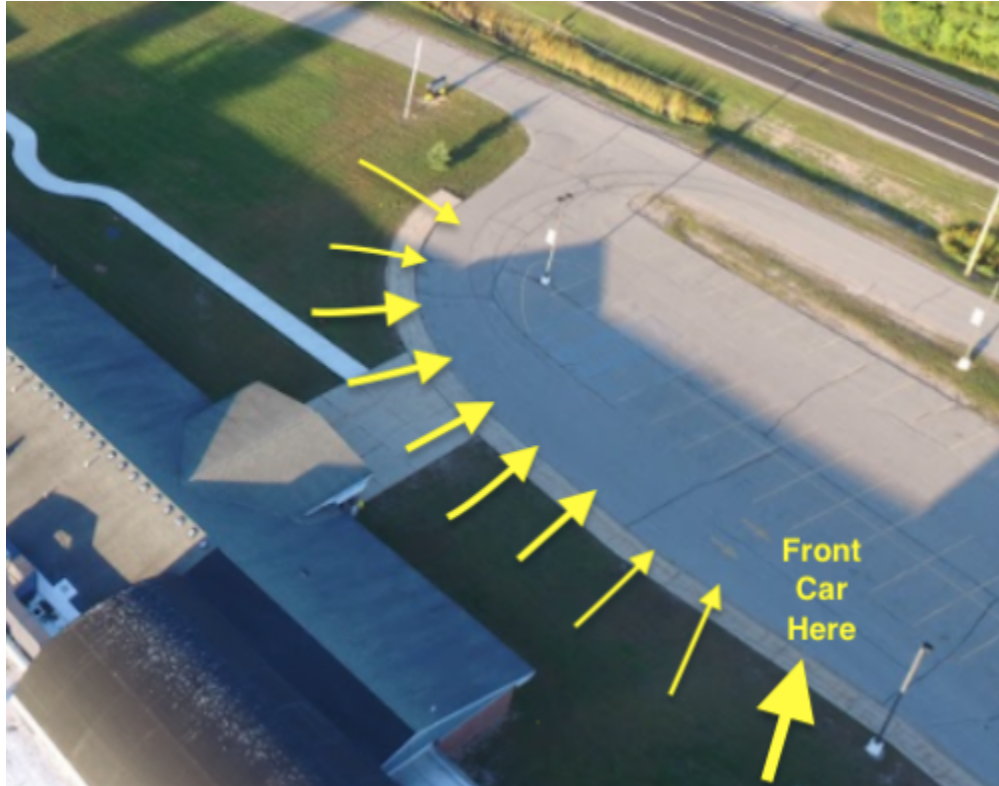
- A.) The front car should pull up well past the curve (see picture), and remaining cars should pull up until reaching the car ahead.
- B.) When traffic flow has stopped in the drop-off line, children can exit the car to the sidewalk at any point along the sidewalk curve (see picture). This allows roughly 10 vehicles to unload at once.
- C.) We ask families who need to get out of their vehicle to assist a child during drop-off to pull into a parking lot spot, assist the child, and then walk the child across to the sidewalk.
- D.) Please have your child ready to exit when it's your turn to access the sidewalk in the drop-off line. Last minute reminders, hugs, kisses, and good-byes are all encouraged - but having this done by the time it's your turn helps everyone out!
- E.) Some families park their cars in the lot and walk their child to the building - no problem! Of course, drivers should always give the walkers the right-of-way. However, walkers can help by standing well out of the way and waiting for all moving vehicles to pass before approaching the driving lanes.

Thanks for your support!

Josh Hook
Principal

*If the recipient of this message is not the person who does morning drop-off, please share with the person that does :)

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