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OOLTEWAH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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OES Transportation Information 2023-2024
Car Riders, Busses, and Walkers

Teachers will find out from each student's parent/guardian the primary mode of transportation for each child to and from school each day (bus number, car, or walker) on or prior to the first day of school. Please note: if there is a change to a student's mode of transportation on any day, the legal parent/guardian must send in a written note with their child on (or before) the morning of the change in transportation. For safety reasons, transportation changes will no longer be made by phone or ClassDojo during the school day. If a written note is not sent in with the student in the morning, we will send your child home using their primary mode of transportation previously provided to us.

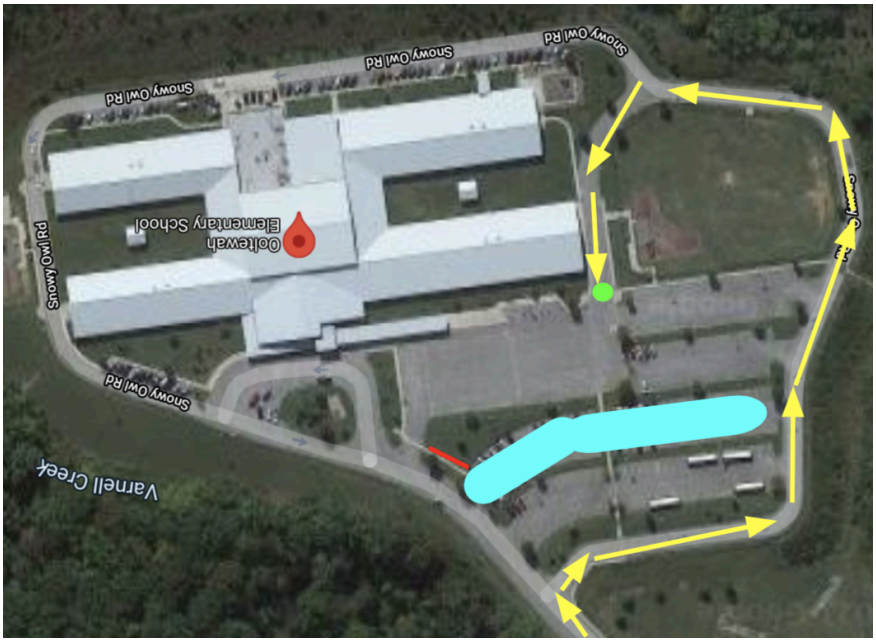
➔ Bus Transportation

Please let us know if you have any questions or if you need any help with finding the bus stop or route for your child. ***Due to new HCS bus procedures and district guidance, we must now begin unloading buses at 8:05am for morning arrival. Bus riders will sit in the gym from 8:05am (supervised by faculty/staff members who have signed up to volunteer during this time) until 8:15am until all faculty / staff members are on duty.*

- List of Bus Routes to and from OES (Click HERE)
- HCS Bus Stop Locator (Click HERE)
- HCS Bus Stop Request (Click HERE)

➔ Car Riders - Arrival - 8:15am - 8:30am

- All cars will follow the yellow arrows to the green dot on the diagram shown below. From there, staff members will direct all cars to fill specific lanes.
- Students will wait in cars until directed by a staff member that it is all clear to exit.
- OES Staff will begin receiving students into the building at 8:15am each morning.
- When it is clear for students to exit, staff members will raise and wave both hands in the air, and music will be played (over the loudspeaker) as a signal for students to exit cars and enter the building.
- If parents would like to park and walk students to the front entrance of the building, parents may park in the area highlighted in blue and walk on the sidewalk (red) as directed by an OES faculty / staff member.
- All families arriving after 8:30am will be required to park their car in one of the designated parking lots and walk their student(s) into the front office to sign them in. Cars will not be permitted to drive up to the main entrance to park at the main door to drop off their student unless the student has physical needs requiring this accommodation has been given prior approval by the school principal.



- ➔ All cars will follow the same traffic pattern (indicated by the yellow arrows on the diagram above) for both morning arrival and afternoon dismissal.
- ➔ For the safety of OES staff and in order to maximize the efficiency of the car dismissal process, we ask that all drivers display their student's car tag on the **driver side window (inside the car facing outward).**
- ➔ OES Car Tags are required in order to dismiss students through the car line. Car Tags will be handed out to parents/guardians during the orientation nights on August 7th and August 8th. If you do not have a car tag prior to dismissal, please park in either of the parking lots highlighted in blue, and go to the front office to pick up a car tag for your child. All parents/guardians will be asked to provide a valid ID in order to receive a car tag from the office.

➔ **Car Riders - Dismissal - 3:30pm - 3:45pm**

- All cars will follow the same traffic pattern as the morning car rider line (indicated by the yellow arrows on the diagram above.)
- For the safety of OES staff and in order to maximize the efficiency of the car dismissal process, we ask that all drivers display their student's car tag on the **driver side window (inside the car facing outward).**
- OES Car Tags are required in order to dismiss students through the car line. Car Tags will be handed out to parents/guardians during the orientation nights on August 7th and August 8th. If you do not have a car tag prior to dismissal, please park in either of the parking lots highlighted in blue, and go to the front office to pick up a car tag for your child. All parents/guardians will be asked to provide a valid ID in order to receive a car tag from the office.

➔ **Walkers (McKenzie Farms Residents only)**

- Please click HERE for the procedures for all "walkers".

Please note: All students will be dismissed as a bus rider, car rider, or walker. Students will not be dismissed through the front office after 2:45pm.