

## **Afternoon Dismissal : Walking from School** **Procedures & Expectations** **2025-2026**

Occasionally, students wish to walk from school after dismissal for any variety of reasons. Whether they are visiting nearby eateries, going to exercise, or simply convening with peers, we appreciate that this is an opportunity to capitalize on these interests to promote student independence. *To that end, the school has developed the following procedures to ensure students may avail themselves of these opportunities safely.*

### **Permissions:**

- ANY student wishing to walk from campus MUST have a notation, entered into PickUp Patrol not later than 2pm, to be permitted to leave campus on foot and independently.
- Any student not listed as having permission to walk by 2:00pm will be rerouted to their district-assigned bus for dismissal. **No exceptions will be made to these required permissions.**
- Students misbehaving in the community after dismissal may be subject to restricted opportunities to walk from the school.

### **Expectations**

- ***LVMS Panthers are Respectful.*** LVMS Panthers are expected to represent their school positively. It is the expectation of our school community that students uphold standards of behavior and decorum in keeping with those of the school as they explore their independence.
- ***Parents should talk with students about the fundamentals of pedestrian safety.*** Of course, whereas we are happy to assist in keeping students safe, parents are reminded that school personnel cannot provide supervision away from school grounds.
- ***All students leaving LVMS on foot are expected to observe sidewalks, remaining on the LVMS side (south side) of West Mill Road until they reach the crosswalks in the ‘center of town.’*** There, they should respect the crosswalk signals provided for pedestrian safety. Parents may wish to look [HERE](#) to identify crosswalk patterns and provide guidance for their children.