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Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you and remind you concerning the parking lot safety expectations for our school:

- 1. Allow yourself plenty of time to drop off and/or pick up your student, and remember to be patient. Approximately 675 students are arriving and leaving close to the same time.
- 2. When dropping students off, please pull into the horseshoe loop in front of the school. Pull up to the farthest point possible to allow more cars the ability to enter the parking lot. The driver <a href="must">must</a> remain in the car. (It is unsafe to drop students off at the street or in the parking lot.)
- 3. Communicate to your student where you will be meeting him/her after school:
  - a. If you are picking your student up from the parking lot, they should meet near the Sunnyside sign at the designated area and wait for your car to pull up to the front of the line. Students are only allowed to load from the number one spot in the car line.
  - b. If you are parking on the street and picking your student up in front of the office, tell him/her to meet you there. (*Remember to only park only where it is legal and to also be good neighbors and respect private property*)
  - c. We do not allow students to cross Russell Street to be picked up. Students will only be allowed to cross the street with parents or day care providers.
- 4. Once the buses have left, students can be picked up in the horseshoe in front of the school.
- 5. Please remember to arrive close to the dismissal of school, 2:30 M, T, TH, F and 1:40 on Wed. 1:15 during conference periods. Teachers are only on duty for 10 minutes after the bell rings.
- 6. **Drivers must always remain in their vehicles unless the vehicle is legally parked**. Do not park behind cars, leave unattended children in your car, or illegally leave your car unattended and/or running. Please do not park in teachers' back parking lot.
- 7. Students will be escorted to the cars at the front of the line only. It is not safe for students or adults to walk through the parking lot with moving vehicles. Be attentive and responsive to directives from teachers on duty.
- 8. <u>Please remember that talking on your cell phone while driving is illegal.</u> Our students need your undivided attention.

**Thank you** for your support by following these safety guidelines. Please don't hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions or suggestions.