

Frequently Asked Questions

SCHOOL DRIVEWAYS

From 6:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. and from 2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m., the driveway between the school and the fields / Larrymore Elementary is a one way (exit) only driveway. This will help expedite Morning Drop Off and Afternoon Dismissal.

MORNING DROP OFF

How will Morning Drop Off work?

All vehicles will drive up the driveway between the church and school. Vehicles will proceed in a single file line towards the gym parking lot and will continue to the end of the gym parking lot and then take a right following the orange cones. Vehicles will then take a right up the driveway between the school and the fields / Larrymore Elementary. For returning families, this process will be similar as previous years.

Students will not be dropped off in the school gym as in previous years. There will be 4 stops along this driveway on the right. At each stop, the student(s) for that grade level will be asked a series of wellness questions and will have their temperature taken while in their vehicle by school staff.

- First stop: Sabato Hall for GRADES 3, 6, 7, and 8
- Second stop: Hall C for GRADES PK-3, PK-4, and Kindergarten
- Third stop: Hall B for GRADES 2, 4, and 5
- Fourth stop: Hall A for GRADE 1

For the safety of all students, we ask the single file line of vehicles to proceed up the fire lane and along the breezeway. Please have your child / children exit out the right side (passenger side) of the vehicle at the assigned spot.

What if I have multiple children in different grade levels?

Families with multiple children will stay in the drop off line to drop off their child at the prescribed stop. **Example:** if you have 3 students enrolled with one in Grade 7, another in Grade 4, and the last in Grade 1, then your vehicle would drop off a student at the Sabato Hall stop, drop off another at the Hall B stop, and the last at the Hall A stop.

All students in the car will be asked a series of wellness questions and will have their temperature taken while in their vehicle by school staff before letting out any student.

This process will take longer but will prevent too many students at one time in the hallways. To make this process more efficient, please have your student(s) arranged in the car in the order that they will exit the vehicle to enter school.

After I drop off my student at the designated stop, do I have to remain in the Drop Off line until exiting school grounds?

As mentioned we are asking the single file of drop off vehicles to drive up along the fire lane close to the breezeway. If you drop off your student(s) at the assigned spot, you may carefully and slowly pull out of the drop off line and slowly drive up the left side of the driveway to the exit. Take heed that there are still students being dropped off and that other cars may be doing the same thing that you are doing.

AFTERNOON DISMISSAL

How will Afternoon Dismissal work?

All vehicles will again drive up the driveway between the church and school. Vehicles will proceed in a single file line towards the gym parking lot. Vehicles will pull up and park in rows designated by orange cones. There will be roughly 5-6 vehicles behind each cone. All vehicles will have their last name and grade level of students displayed on the passenger side front windshield.

When it is time for dismissal, the first row of vehicles will be allowed to drive up along the breezeway. When the vehicles stop, school staff will call homerooms to dismiss specific students out to the breezeway. When the student(s) come out to the breezeway, they will be directed by school staff to their vehicle. Students will come out of the same doors in which they entered the school at drop off. Please have your student(s) enter on the right side of your vehicle.

After each row of vehicles departs, another row of vehicles from the gym parking lot will be directed to the breezeway.

This process will take longer but will prevent too many students at one time in the hallways. To make this process more efficient, please have your family name and grade levels clearly posted in your passenger side front windshield.

CARES PROGRAM

CARES ATTENDANCE

A form was recently emailed to all families regarding your use of Before and / or After CARES Program. Your input is required so that we can properly accommodate students in the Parish Hall. Please be sure to respond to that form.

Students who are not called out to the breezeway during dismissal will go to After CARES in the Parish Hall. Parent(s) / Guardian(s) should follow the section *How does After CARES pick up work?*

Where is the CARES Program held and what will it look like this year?

This year, both Before and After School CARES will be held in the Parish Hall. This location allows us the most space to allow for social distancing for the students. Students will be spaced out at tables until they are directed by CARES staff to their homeroom in the morning. Unlike previous years, CARES will have limited toys / games available. There will be little to no sharing of these items during CARES. Because we will be upgrading our playgrounds, After CARES students will not be permitted to play in the playground after school.

BEFORE CARES

How does Before CARES drop off work?

To facilitate morning drop off, no families may drop off students to CARES after 7:30 a.m. Before School CARES will be located in the Parish Hall. Those families using CARES will drive up the driveway between the church and school. The vehicle will stop at the Parish Hall side

entrance located underneath the covered walkway between the church and Parish Hall. The student(s) will be asked a series of wellness questions and will have their temperature taken while in their vehicle by school staff before entering the building.

AFTER CARES

How does After CARES pick up work?

New this year, After School CARES will be held in the Parish Hall. Those families using CARES will drive up the driveway between the church and school and will then park their vehicle in the gym parking lot. Parent(s) or guardian(s) listed in the approved pick up list will proceed to the Parish Hall side entrance located underneath the covered walkway between the church and Parish Hall to sign out and pick up their student(s) from our CARES staff.

Other Questions

What will lunchtime look like? When will hot lunch be available?

The Parish Hall will not be used for lunch to begin the school year. Classes will eat lunch at their desks in their homeroom. Students will be allowed to talk with their classmates at a respectable level during lunchtime. We know that many of you rely on hot lunch for your students. To begin the year, we will not offer hot lunch. Our priority is for students to understand and practice all of the new protocols in place. Administration will review progress in this matter before introducing the hot lunch program. To limit items and people who come into school, we ask all families to make sure that your student(s) bring their lunch to school and to refrain from dropping off fast food lunch.

What will recess look like this year?

We will begin our playground upgrade this year. This includes the removal of a few large trees, foundation work, removal of old equipment, etc. Therefore, students will not be permitted to play on the playground to begin the school year. Classes will still have recess that is outside as much as possible where they will take advantage of the public fields and the back parking lot.

Will the students be attending Mass in the church?

The celebration of Mass is integral to the practice and development of our faith. To begin the school year, our students and staff will attend Mass virtually while in their classroom. The school will work with our pastor on logistics in regards to bringing students to the church for weekly Mass. We will notify families regarding any decisions. All students are required to wear church uniform on school Mass days, virtual or in church.

Picking up Students early from school.

To facilitate afternoon dismissal, we ask all parents / guardians who are checking out their student(s) early from school (for example, doctor's appointments) to do so by 2:00 p.m.