

Welcome to the “Car Rider” Line

Southwest Middle School

Safety Guidelines for picking up your child/student

All safety procedures in this letter are intended to keep ALL children safe until they are in your car. **Your cooperation and patience will be most appreciated.** The first two weeks of school will be very busy and the line will be long until new parents/drivers learn the pick up system. Again please be patient and kindly respond to staff on duty who are there to help your children and you get home as safely and as quickly as possible.



Staff are located in front of the building entrance to monitor students while they wait to get in your vehicle. There are two orange cones in this location for safe loading. **Please do not stop where your child is standing.** Staff will direct you to keep moving forward to fill in gaps and space between you and other vehicles so that we can get multiple cars loaded at one time. Students should not approach or attempt to get in a car until it is completely stopped. They need to walk forward carefully to you. Students may enter your car at any place between the orange cones. They should not try to go to a car located outside this area because it is not supervised.

The main road in front of the school is NOT a pick up area. Students are NEVER allowed to get in a car at the street. There are too many opportunities for injuries or accidents with the amount of traffic on this road. There are two lanes; the left lane is for flowing traffic and the right lane is for parents coming to pick up students. You need to be in this right lane to enter the circle area to pick up a student. Please do not pass or cut in line. Please don't park or leave your car unattended. While this line may move slowing, it should remain moving.

Parking in front of the building to pick up a student after school is not allowed. These spaces should be left available for persons coming to pick up a student's absent work in the guidance office, a sick student from the nurses office or if you are attending a meeting after school in the building. If you are picking up a student, PLEASE stay in line and keep moving. Staff will be monitoring students and helping them find you in the front of the building.

We hope you have a wonderful year here at Southwest Middle School. Remember: We want to keep your students safe until they are with you and by following these safety guidelines, you will help ensure your child and other children are safe.

Thanks for your cooperation and patience!!!
