

Hello Parents,

Emerson Elementary is extremely excited for the first day of school. In preparation for the first day and to set a positive tone for the school year, I would like to share some parking lot information with you. The north parking lot at Emerson Elementary School has several challenges with traffic when it comes to dropping off and picking up children. Over the years the Emerson community has made it a priority to practice patience and tolerance and follow some simple guidelines. It is **YOU** that makes the difference in our parking lot. I can relate this to the organization of children at Emerson. Whether students are walking through the halls, transitioning between specials, or evacuating the building, if a few students get out of place or become distracted from the system, it leads to problems and confusion.

Here are a few guidelines for us all as we work together this year to make our parking lot operation the best it can be.

- 1) Always practice patience and tolerance and remember you are in the presence of children, your actions and words do not go unnoticed.
- 2) Do not park in the pick-up and drop off lane, this lane has to be a continuous flow at all times.
- 3) Make sure to move forward all the way to the front of the lane when dropping off. The portion of the sidewalk with the ramp is not the drop off point! The entire sidewalk needs to be used. (Stopping in the middle of the lane causes open space and creates another line of traffic attempting to move to the open space.)
- 4) Children should exit the vehicles on the sidewalk side.
- 5) Make drop-offs as quick as possible. We all love our children, but we have to make it a quick kiss and goodbye!

Thank you for your cooperation!

Have a wonderful weekend!

I look forward to seeing you and your child/children on the first day!

Mr. Argiri