

Dear Parents/Students:

Each day, hundreds of vehicles enter Campus Drive to discharge or pick up more than 2500 students. Combined with bus traffic, deliveries, and the hundreds of students who walk to school, this creates a very busy and potentially dangerous environment. The Port Washington School District and Port Washington Police Department continue to work collaboratively to ensure the safety of children. With this in mind, we ask that you be aware of the following traffic patterns.

All parents and visitors entering Campus Drive in the mornings are asked to drive all the way up to the high school. Please do not stop to discharge middle school students on Campus Drive. Parents discharging students are asked to follow the directions of our security aides.

As you leave the campus, please do not cut through the parking lot. This creates a dangerous situation for students who walk and the faculty who park their cars in the lot. You may leave via Campus Drive or St. John's gate, which is open from 7:50 a.m.-8:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. When exiting, please be very careful of other cars, and especially, students who are walking to and from school. In addition, please be mindful of the following:

- Do not pass vehicles that are stopped and discharging students. This is extremely dangerous. Waiting patiently is the best option.
- Do not turn around in front of the school in an attempt to return up Campus Drive. Please follow the traffic pattern at all times.
- The best location to drop off middle school students is on Bogart Avenue. There is a crossing guard deployed at this location for your safety.
- The middle school "turn around" on Port Washington Boulevard and the staff parking lot are closed to the general public during morning and afternoon drop off times.
- If you are dropping off your child by Monfort Road and St. John's Place, please be very careful and do not drive all the way up to the gate. Students walk to school in this area and having to make a U-turn creates an unsafe situation. If you must drop off in this area, do not pass the intersection by Monfort and St. John's place.
- If you are dropping off your child on Old Hills Lane, please be very careful. This is an off-campus location and is not recommended, because there is no security to assist with traffic control. If you do decide to drop off your child in this area, please pull to the side of the road and be very alert for passing vehicles.
- Cars are not allowed into the bus circle until all of our busses have arrived. This should occur at about 7:30 each morning.
- All parking spots on campus are reserved. If you have a meeting at the high school or middle school and need to park, please speak to the security aides. They will assist you in finding a parking spot.
- If you are eligible for transportation, you are strongly encouraged to utilize the bus. This will help reduce the number of cars on Campus Drive.