



## Notre Dame Academy

Pre K-3 to 8

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Good Evening Notre Dame Families:

I want to commend each and every one of you for your support during what was a successful first week of school. It was such a good feeling to see our community together again and welcome each of our scholars back to in-person school. As we get back in full swing, we will continue to adjust and adapt as necessary to ensure things are functioning as smoothly as possible. In that spirit, here are some important adjustments and reminders going forward:

- The Stop & Drop entrance is only to be used by people pulling through in their cars, not for students walking into the building. We had a number of students walking through the parking lot into the stop and drop door, which is a safety hazard. If your child is walking into the building, they must use the front entrance. If utilizing stop and drop, parents should not exit their car. It slows down the process and creates issues. Please be sure to pull all the way up to the staff member guiding you.
- The front yellow curb “kiss and drop” area is not for parking and parents exiting their vehicles. If you are going to walk your child to the door, you must secure a **legal** parking spot.
- Please be mindful of arriving on time. It is a great disservice to your own child’s learning and their class when they do not get to school on time.
- For dismissal, it appears to be working smoother now that we have asked kindergarten, prek, 3rd grade, and 5th grade to go out 10 minutes early every day and adjusted 8th grade dismissal location. We will continue that process going forward.
- To further streamline dismissal, our 2nd grade will now exit out the rear churchside basement door that exits into the church parking lot. Parents may not park in the church parking lot at dismissal. 2nd grade students will exit and line up on the side of the school building for pick up.

We are excited to return to full days next week. Please be sure that if you are using Simply Gourmet, that you have set up orders online. Before and After Care begin next week as well so please be sure to familiarize yourself with drop off and pick up procedures if you use those services. Have a wonderful weekend and please contact myself or Mr. Reid if you have any questions.

In The Peace of Christ,  
Mr. Valvano