



ST. ANNE CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL

COMMITTED TO CHILD-CENTERED SPIRITUAL, ACADEMIC, ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
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Dear Parents,

I wanted to make the St. Anne Catholic Grade School Community aware of a student safety concern that I have noticed in the last week. The parking lot is a very busy place in the morning for drop-off and I have noticed on more than one occasion cars not following the proper flow, using handicap parking spaces for drop off, use of staff parking by non-staff and excessive speed. I have also noticed countless instances of distraction by cellphones while parents navigate the parking lot. Please understand that I am bringing this to your attention so this letter does not have to be rewritten due to an accident that involved you, your child or someone you may know. I have been in conversation with several concerned parents regarding this matter and as a result have decided to review our parking lot procedures and make significant changes that we will adopt starting the new year. In the meantime, we will continue to follow the current parking lot flow which can be found on the school website. Please take into consideration the following:

- Using Mound Rd. exit between church and school when dropping off for latchkey or when using the small lot near church.
- Reducing speed when entering and exiting the parking lot
- Taking a second look to make sure there are no pedestrians crossing near traffic
- Not using cellphones or texting while driving in the lot
- Use of staff parking spaces for drop off
- Use of handicap parking spots by vehicles not designated as handicapped
- Arriving early to reduce congestion in drop off lane and parking lot

I appreciate your help in this safety matter and anticipate on having updated parking lot procedures when school resumes after Christmas break.

Thank you,

Matthew Marion
Principal