



School Travel Planning

Thank you to all families for being patient with our new school bus and vehicle infrastructure (zones). The Kiss N' Ride is still very new to all of us and we are all getting used to it daily which is great to see. The staff of St. Thomas Aquinas is very appreciative for the patience and co-operation that has been displayed thus far. Here is a list of the expectations regarding all vehicles when at school. Please review the Kiss N' Ride pamphlet that has been provided.

1. Staff Parking Lot:
 - a. Parking lot is for staff ONLY.
 - b. NRP families are to use the parking lot after 5:00pm to pickup their child(ren) from the junior doors. They are not to use the area between the portable and building.
2. Bus Loading Zone:
 - a. Now on Oakwood St.
 - b. No parking in bus loading zone at any time especially during the school day 8am-3:45pm.
3. Drop-off & Pick-Up of Students
 - a. Needs to take place on Donald Street.
 - b. No parking on the school side of Donald St. as this area is reserved for Kiss N' Ride vehicles pulling into the Loading Zone.
 - c. If you are picking up or dropping off and prefer not to use Kiss N' Ride zone:
 - i. Park your car opposite the school (or side street) on Donald St.
 - ii. Use the sidewalk to walk up to the fence but remain on the grass closest to the building. Do the same when returning to your vehicle.
 - iii. Please do not walk in between vehicles anywhere in the Kiss N' Ride Zone.
 - iv. Please do not block the Kiss N' Ride Loading Zone on the sidewalk.
 - d. Using the Kiss N' Ride Zone:
 - i. As much as possible, please avoid making a left turn into the Kiss N' Ride (help with the flow of traffic)
 - ii. Drive into the Zone and pull right up to the fence (end of sidewalk).
 - iii. Students are to unload / load a vehicle using the passenger side door ONLY
 - iv. Driver is to remain in the driver's seat at all times; EXCEPTION is only when there is a Kindergarten student that needs to be unstrapped/strapped into car seat.
 - v. Students need to be able to open/close a door and get buckled in on their own for the Kiss N' Ride to be most efficient.
 - e. Kindergarten parents/guardians picking up or dropping off may consider the following:
 - i. Park vehicle further down Donald St. opposite the school.
 - ii. Walk their child to/from the Outdoor Classroom Gate.



Thank you for your anticipated co-operation.
Mr. F. Lacaria, Principal