

# BCS Traffic Patterns

(Please keep a copy of this in your car and share with your babysitters and other drivers)

## The following are things for you to think about, before the first day of school:

- Please consider having your children take the bus to school and home from school
- Please consider carpooling with neighbors.
- Please **do not** drive into or park in the far west parking lot, the lot between the school building and playground. This area is strictly reserved for busses. Children also play outside during Choice Hour and after school hours for sports team practices and Kids Club.
- The golden traffic rule is: Cars, busses and children should never be in the same location.

## AM DROP-OFF PLANS

- Please drop off your children in the **drop off/pick-up zones** located either in the traffic circle at the front of the school or on the east drive that exits onto Covington Road, nearest the bike racks.
- Please pull up as far as you can in the two designated drop-off and pick-up zones.
- If you plan on exiting onto Covington Road, you must use the **drop-off/pick-up zone** that enters from Covington Road.
- Please do not block the two handicapped parking spaces in the front circle.
- In order to keep the traffic moving in the **drop-off/pick up zones**, please make sure you have said all of your goodbyes to your children, before you enter the BCS grounds.
- After you have dropped off your children, please pull out cautiously, as you will be merging into other traffic leaving BCS.

## If you need to help your children out of the car or need time to talk to them before you drop them off.

- Please enter the West (pool) parking lot and pull into a 10-minute parking space and help your children out of the car.
- Please DO NOT park in these spaces and walk your child into school. These spaces are ONLY for people who take more than 30 seconds and less than 10 minutes to drop off their children.

## If you want to walk your children into school, please:

- Park in the east parking lot (smaller lot) and cross with your children using one of the two crosswalks.
- Park in the west parking lot, (the pool parking lot), but NOT in the 10 minute spaces.

## PM PICK-UP PLANS at 3:15 PM or at 4:05 PM

- Please have a consistent plan of picking up your children each day.

## Waiting in the 10 minute spaces in the West Parking Lot

- We have about 15 of these spaces available. It is easy for your children to meet you in one of these spaces.
- Please remember, DO NOT park and leave your car unattended in these spaces.

## Picking up your children in the building

- If you do like coming into the building to pick up your children, please feel free to park in either lot.
- You are welcome to park in the lots for as long as you choose to do so.

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**Please AVOID the following:**

- Do not park in either parking lot and tell your children to just find you and run across the parking lot. They must use the raised crosswalk.
- Do not yell or rudely gesture when someone is not following the rules. We have had some terrible situations that children have witnessed in the past.
- Do not “create” a spot in an aisle in either parking lot. This is dangerous and causes congestion.
- If you are picking up your children earlier than their day ends, you must come into the office to sign your child out.
- **Do not drop off your children in the outside lane where traffic is moving. This is absolutely the most dangerous situation imaginable.**
- **Please do not leave your car unattended in the drop-off/ pick-up zones or in the 10- minute parking spaces. There is a \$110 fine for doing so, and the police frequently monitor the area. We have never had a community member successfully appeal the fine.**

**PARKING LOT RESURFACED AND TRAFFIC FLOW RECONFIGURED**

- The parking lot was reconfigured and resurfaced during the summer of 2011. See below for a map of the new traffic flow, including the new crosswalk.
- To access the west parking lot, please turn from Quarton Road.
- To access the east parking lot, it will be easiest to turn from Covington Road.

