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Sachem Central School District

Grundy Avenue Elementary School

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Dear Sachem Families:

The communication between home and school is important in fostering a nurturing environment in the Grundy community. As I'm sure you are aware, pedestrian and automobile traffic can be problematic around the Grundy Elementary front parking lot during student drop-off and dismissal. In order to maintain a safe environment for our students, it is essential that all parking rules are followed. Children should be taught to cross the streets in designated crosswalks and with the assistance of the crossing guards and/or responsible adults.

In order to ensure safety at arrival, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Parking during drop off and dismissal needs to be addressed by all parents. DO NOT PARK OR STOP YOUR CAR ILLEGALLY. Illegal parking along the school's curb and in our driveway creates a dangerous situation for your children as well as all members of our school community.
- In the morning, parents should pull up to the 2nd stop sign, if possible. Students should exit from the right side of the car and proceed to the crosswalk. The teachers on duty will assist the student(s) to ensure their safety into the building. This procedure has been used in the past and is found to be the most efficient solution in allowing as many cars as possible into the lot for parents to drop off their children.
- As soon as the car in front of you begins to exit, please follow immediately. Do not
 wait to watch your child cross the sidewalk and enter the building.
- If students arrive to school late (8:50 A.M.), it is the parent's responsibility to walk
 your children into the lobby of the building and sign them in. The hallway monitor
 will give them a late pass.
- Please adhere to the sign specifically stating that there are NO LEFT TURNS out of the parking lot during the hours of 8:30-9:00 AM and 3-3:30 PM.

Following these guidelines, we can be sure of student safety as well as getting them to class on time for an efficient start to the school day. If you have any questions, please contact us at 471-1820. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Laura Amato Principal

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