

Our most important message today is safety. We are a designated Walking School; if you are able please walk or bike to school. This is not only healthier, but it also alleviates car congestion that we are not equipped to manage as a Walking School.

Watch for some upcoming incentives to encourage families to WALK TO SCHOOL!

We appreciate everyone's respect for our safety procedures during the Kiss and Ride times of 7:45 through 8:00. As a new and growing school it is important that we establish and revisit procedures continually. Please see below and also the map on the reverse for your benefit.

The following are the Kiss and Ride procedures to ensure safety for all of our children:

- Please pull into the lane (marked with pylons) on the right and pull as far forward as possible to where staff are waiting
- Þ Refrain from passing and/or pulling in front of cars already in the lane
- Remain in your car with your student (s) until the line has moved forward to where our staff is prepared to exit your student safely; please do not allow your child to exit the car until you have pulled up to a staff member
- Display="block">b Once your student(s) have exited your vehicle and the cars in front have moved along, please pull carefully forward and exit the lot
- Please do not park or drop off students at any other spot in the lanes inside the North lot during this time as this can create a safety concern and slow down the Kiss and Ride lane; you can park in any available parking spots during Kiss and Ride times, but we ask that families refrain from crossing through the Kiss and Ride lanes during these times please cross at the North end of the lot onto the school walkway that goes around the west side of the parking lot
- The left lane is for cars pulling through and exiting the lot; parking and/or dropping student(s) off in this lane is not permitted for safety reasons

If you need to get out of your car for any reason, please do not use the Kiss and Ride lane;

instead, you may park on the street and walk your child to the gated area or yard. We recognize this may create a two or three minute delay in drop off for individual families, but we know that those minutes are inconsequential when considered in the context of safety. The East loop continues to be a bus and FIRE DEPARTMENT loop only between 7:45 and 8am for the safety of our students who require this transportation.

End of day student pickup routines are different as we do not have staff guiding students to waiting vehicles. As our lots are not available with the exception of our accessible/ handicapped spaces, street parking is accessible as per the city map attached. Quite often there are by-law officers in attendance, and we anticipate the occasional police presence to support safety. *Please be mindful of by-laws and safety at all times.*

Safety is paramount at all times here at Northern Dancer, and we appreciate everyone's respect for our safety protocols during entry and at the end of the day. Thank you for your respect and consideration of these expectations. Again, we encourage anyone who is able to walk or bike to school!

Yours in Education,

Barbara Speed; Principal





There is also a Crossing Guard further north on Bridle at the Roundabout at Bridle Road and Britannia Road. Please walk to the crossing guards and avoid cross where there are no stop signs or City staff. Thank you!