

May 19, 2021

Dear Families,

The purpose of this letter is to provide clarity and uniformity around dismissal procedures. In particular, we are refining our Kiss N Ride procedures to increase safety. There are **3 categories of transportation for students: bus, walking/biking, and car riding**. Please support us in keeping a safe and orderly campus by adhering to one of these methods.

This has been a historically unique school year. With few patrols and more Kiss N Riders, everyone understanding and following the procedures is critical. Our plan for the remainder of the school year is to clarify areas for Kiss N Riders versus walkers, increase Kiss N Ride staffing, and increase and adjust cone placement. The following are guidelines for dismissal from our main entrance/exit:

- Students should wait in the designated waiting area for Kiss N Ride. (Children should not bypass the Kiss N Ride loading area and get into cars past the loading area.)
- Families may park in the back lot by the buses and come meet their child at the front entrance/exit as a walker. Please adhere to walking on sidewalks and crosswalks.
- Please do not walk into/across the Kiss N Ride loading area.
- There is one area for Kiss N Riders to wait. This is the left walkway (in orange below). The right walkway (purple arrows) is for walkers/bicycle riders. Parents are welcome to wait to the right side of that sidewalk to meet their walker. Children should cross only at designated crosswalks.

We understand that there are more Kiss N Riders this school year during the pandemic than there has been in the past, but our Kiss N Ride line is very efficient. Dismissal is at 4:15 and the Kiss N Ride line is usually clear about 4:20.

We appreciate your support of our staff and school procedures for loading children calmly and safely. Please contact Dr. Jones at nmjones1@fcps.edu with any questions or concerns.

