

Dismissal Policies

With more than 850 students and 80 plus staff members, safety is our number one concern at Central Middle School. We continually review our practices ensuring that we maintain as safe environment as possible before, during and after school. Dismissal of students at the end of the day is a time of major concern, therefore we regulate how students leave our campus.

Car Riders

Prior to the release of our students, many parents choose to wait in line after picking up elementary age siblings. During their wait, it has been the practice of many parents to allow siblings to play in the front of the school. On Thursday, February 18, a child ran in front of a bus that was exiting our campus after picking up students behind the school. Fortunately, the driver was able to avoid the child and no one was injured. Because of the potential for injury to the children while playing, we will no longer allow them to play outside of the vehicles. ALL CHILDREN MUST REMAIN IN THE CAR.

Also, we ask that students be informed about their plans for after-school transportation when they arrive at school. They will not have access to their technology until they are in their car. We also require that the students move to a position on the curb adjacent to their car and wait for the "crossover" command by school personnel before leaving the safety of the curb to enter their car.

CES

There are two groups of students that go to Central Elementary School in the afternoon; CES employees' children and CES After-school Program children. The CES employees' children have completed a parental permission form, allowing them to walk directly to their parents each afternoon. Students that go to the CES After-school Program are required to ride a shuttle bus that will deliver them safely to the after-school program staff. Students are not allowed to walk to CES to be picked up by a car or to attend the after-school program. CMS staff members will be on duty ensuring that these policies are followed.

Car Riders

Students that are picked up by cars shall do so in the circle drive in front of the school, not at CES, the back parking lot, the road, or the teacher parking lot. This allows CMS staff to safely monitor these students, while also regulating the safe flow of traffic.

Those students that do not comply with these guidelines for afternoon release, may receive disciplinary consequences. Thank you again for your cooperation.

Cars Waiting on CMS Release

Due to a near tragedy last year, we will require all children to stay in cars with their parents while waiting for CMS to release students in the afternoon. For security reasons, the restrooms in the office are not available to people waiting for student dismissal. If necessary, we will have Officer Smith open the restrooms adjacent to the gym from 3:10-3:20 to accommodate emergencies restroom situations.

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