

Transportation Plan 2016/17

The following information details the logistics of what you need to know in order to ensure your child's safety and follow the procedures that have been established for transportation.

Bus Transportation:

- All bus transportation takes place on the back playground of Sacred Hearts. Buses do not drop off or pick up on Columbus Street.
- **Morning:** Buses will stop on Vine Street at the gate/entrance to the parking lot to let students off the bus. They will not enter the playground. Students will then enter the playground and remain on the playground until school begins.
- **Afternoon:**
 1. Buses will pull on the playground to pick up students.
 2. The playground will have cones and blue striping to alert students to the boundaries of where to wait until loading of the buses is safe.
 3. The playground will be closely supervised by adults and aided by our 8th grade Safety Cadets.
 4. Once students have safely loaded the buses, supervisors will signal to the buses it's safe to depart the playground.

Car Transportation:

- **There will be NO drop off or pick up of students on Vine Street or the back playground/parking lot of Sacred Hearts. Picking up at the "kindergarten tree" is not an option.**
- **Playing on the playground before pick up is not an option.**
- All students must use the designated carpool system, or cross the street to a legally parked car using the crosswalk, or walk home.
- There will be no parking on Columbus Street (across from school) from Shirley Walk to Forester Hall, plus no parking on Vine Street.
- There will be a designated pick up and drop off area on Columbus Street that will be signed to indicate the location.
- Carpool will be closely supervised by Sacred Hearts Staff.

Drop Off (AM):

1. All cars must come up Church Street (from Main) and turn right onto Columbus Street and proceed to the designated drop off area on Columbus Street and then proceed north on Columbus Street.
2. No cars should enter the drop off area coming from Columbus Street or Cliff Street.
3. **All students must exit their vehicles on the passenger side of the vehicle to the sidewalk. No student may exit on the driver side.**
4. A Sacred Hearts supervisor will be there to assist students out of their cars if needed.

Pick Up (PM)

- All cars must come up Church Street (from Main) and turn right onto Columbus Street and proceed to the designated pick up area on Columbus Street and then proceed north on Columbus Street.
- No cars should enter the pick up area coming from Columbus Street or Cliff Street.
- Cars will be lined up along Church Street and snake through the parking lot and await for a signal from a carpool supervisor to turn right onto Columbus Street in order to begin the pick up. The first 7/8 cars of the day proceed directly to the carpool pick up area. We should be able to load 7/8 cars at a time. After those 7/8 cars have loaded, a supervisor will alert the cars to let them know it is safe to depart, then the next group of cars will be signaled into position.
- Please be courteous of our neighbors on Church Street and ensure that you are never blocking their driveways, or any driveways while waiting.

Please be patient, and please follow the guidelines and procedures that have been outlined.