

St. Mary's School

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Student safety is of utmost importance at St. Mary's Catholic School. We want parents to feel confident their children will arrive and leave the premises safely. Traffic safety problems are often increased by unsafe actions of adults and students who choose convenience over safety. This is most likely to take place during arrival and departure times when pedestrian and vehicle traffic increases, in a concentrated and relatively small area. Increased traffic can mean congestion and congestion brings the potential for disaster. Following the procedures and guidelines outlined below will ensure student safety remains top priority.

DO NOT PARK IN THE FIRE ROUTE LANE

Please refer to the map provided. Parking is not permitted in the fire route lane when dropping off or picking up your child at dismissal time. The following by-law applies: BY-LAW 89-86.

SUPERVISION

Students are not to be dropped off before 8:35 am, as there is no supervision for them before that time. Students should NEVER be allowed to walk through the parking lot without an adult escort. Please do not leave your car unattended in the line of traffic to walk your child to the building.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE ARRANGEMENTS

All our students are considered 'walkers' as there is no bus transportation to and from St. Mary's School. If dropping off or picking up your child, please choose a location in the schoolyard where you can meet your child after school. Parents are asked to either park in the lane closest to Leacock Drive or on Hemmingway and walk to the school to meet your child. Parents are reminded to inform caregivers of the rules and procedures for dropping off and picking up students

PLEASE BE ON TIME WHEN PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN. Students who walk to and from school without parental supervision must be able to walk in a protected environment as they make their way home through the parking lot area. All students who are not supervised by a parent/guardian/caregiver afterschool must leave the property immediately following the bell at 3:10 pm.

STAFF PARKING

The section of the parking lot, in front of the school, has been designated as "Staff Parking". Please do not park at any time in the reserved staff parking area or stop your vehicle at the entrance to this area to drop off your child. Please drop off your child at the bottom of the loop, in the driveway at the end of the Fire Route Lane.

SCHOOL TRAFFIC LIGHT ON LEACOCK DRIVE

This traffic light is a crosswalk area for our students. When exiting our driveway onto Leacock Drive please come to a COMPLETE STOP at the STOP Sign. Look for students crossing the road in the crosswalk/lights area before turning left onto Leacock Drive. The light could be red giving pedestrians the right of way to cross. This light may not be visible to you as a driver when you are exiting the driveway onto Leacock Drive.

SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

What the Law says:

Smoking or holding lit tobacco is not allowed by anyone anywhere on school property (which includes the school building, parking lot, fields, driveway, in your vehicle on school property) at anytime – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

