

ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT 10

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Dear parents of Peacock students:

I hope that your child has gotten off to a good start for the 2011-12 school year. In our efforts to make the transition to the new year as successful as possible, please allow me to remind everyone of some protocols and procedures that impact our arrival and dismissal periods.

As I hope everyone knows, the area in front of the school on North St. and west of the flag pole is designated for the morning drop off and afternoon pick up of students. Drivers may not park their cars perpendicular to the school during these two periods of the day. Drivers may only pull parallel to the school in the designated area and drop-off and pick up their child. However, if you should find yourself visiting Peacock between the hours of **8:15 and 2:15** on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and all parking spaces are occupied please feel free to use the space west of the flag pole as a parking space while visiting Peacock. Please note that due to Thursday's early dismissals you must vacate that area by **1:00pm**.

During the first few weeks of each school year, the Itasca Police have a visible presence at all of the district's schools. They are helping school officials monitor the traffic patterns and ensure the safety of our children. The police have asked me to share with our families several very important points that will create the safest possible environment for everyone.

1. Abide by the established traffic patterns at each school. At Peacock that includes the aforementioned as well as the one-way status westbound of North St. during school hours.
2. In order to avoid congestion during drop-off and pick-up periods, please pull your vehicle as far forward as possible before your child exits or enters your car.
3. Refrain from dropping off students on Linden as that creates a safety issue when students must cross North St. during peak traffic periods.
4. Refrain from using cell phones while driving in a school zone during school hours. The police will first issue warnings and then tickets for violations of this law.
5. Abide by the posted speed limits on all streets but especially near schools.
6. Ask your children who ride their bikes to school to use locks when parking them in our bike rack. The police have informed me that there have been reports of bike thefts in town.

Thank you for your help and cooperation regarding the safety of all children.

Respectfully,

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