

Wow! What a great start to keeping our students safe during arrival and dismissal! Thank you to everyone who followed the Kiss N' Catch procedures during the first week of school. According to my watch, every student was picked up and on his/her way within 10 minutes of the last bell.

A few reminders:

- When the Kiss N' Catch lanes or the parking lots are full you must drive around the neighborhood ("loop") until there is space in the lane or lot. "Looping" is how we keep Morton Road clear. Keeping Morton Road clear is essential to keep walkers safe and to ensure emergency vehicles can have access to the roads if ever needed.
- On a typical day, the Kiss N' Catch lanes are full by 3:20pm (or so). By 3:40pm the lanes are moving continuously and by 3:45pm the pickup process is complete. On rainy or snowy days, however, expect a few additional minutes to the process.
- To minimize congestion on Morton Road, please be sure to come from the East if you are using Kiss N' Catch Lane # 1 and from the West if you are using Lane # 2. If you come from the wrong direction, you will be asked to drive around until you are approaching from the correct direction.
- Please note that the parking spaces that are next to Kiss N' Catch # 1 are reserved for staff and should not be used by families during either drop-off or pick-up. This row of parking was intentionally reserved for staff in order to avoid cars pulling into the Kiss N' Catch Lane. As tempting as it might be to pull into an empty spot, please don't for the safety of our students.
- Don't forget that we do have walkers and bikers that use the crosswalk on Morton Road in front of the bus loading zone and at the Walker Road intersection. Use caution when approaching these areas.

Two final notes:

- The prohibition on parking, standing or idling on Morton, Marathon and Walker Roads will be enforced beginning Monday, August 24.
- Expect a few extra minutes for pick-up during the early part of this first full week while Kindergarten parents get acquainted with the process.

Again, thank you to everyone for following the rules!

(You can view the Arrival and Dismissal Procedures [here](#).)