TUSCAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Tuscan School Drop Off, Pick Up & Parking Safety Practices

At Tuscan School the safety and well-being of our students and staff are our top priorities.

To increase student safety at Tuscan School, please abide by the following drop off, pick up and parking guidelines.

Drop Off Zone

The **Drop Off Zone** is designated for students in <u>Grades 3 – 5 only</u>. Students in Grades *K- 2 <u>must not</u>* be dropped off at the Drop Off Zone. K-2 students *must* be escorted directly to their teacher at the designated line up location on the blacktop or to the office upon tardy arrival.

- ▶ Please arrive to the Drop Off Zone with your 3rd 5th Grader ready to exit the car.
- > Children must *never* exit into traffic.
- In order for traffic to flow quickly and efficiently, drivers should not park in the Drop Off Zone or exit vehicles.
- Please note only charter buses police, fire or school district vehicles are permitted to stop directly in front of the school.

Harvard Avenue

When crossing **Harvard Avenue**, please walk children to the corner of Harvard and Osborne and cross Harvard Avenue with the supervision of the Crossing Guard. **Children may not cross Harvard Avenue unsupervised.**

<u>All children should exit vehicles onto a sidewalk, never into the street.</u> Allowing children to exit vehicles into traffic to cross the street, especially between stopped or parked cars is illegal and extremely unsafe for children.

The Bridge

<u>Strongly note children are not permitted to walk through the staff parking lot at any time.</u> Children using the bridge to arrive and leave campus from Tuscan Road must proceed directly to the blacktop or front door via the playground. Please encourage and remind children not to walk through or run around the staff parking lot.

Staff Parking Lot

Between the hours of 8am and 4 pm, only regular Tuscan Staff can drive their vehicles into the parking lot. The staff parking lot is not to be used as a drop-off or pick-up area. Handicapped drivers with the appropriate license plates may use the staff parking lot and the handicapped spaces at the rear of the lot. All unauthorized vehicles parked in the staff lot may be ticketed and/or towed.

These safety practices are required to increase student safety and should not be dismissed as a matter of convenience or choice. We sincerely thank you for your partnership in keeping Tuscan's children safe!

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