LAMAR ELEMENTARY 25-26
Transportation Information

TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

It is best to establish with your child's teacher a consistent afternoon mode of transportation. If you need to make a transportation change please email lamartransportation@conroeisd.net and CC your child's teacher **BEFORE 2:00 PM.** This will allow time for staff to make the change. Please include your child's name, teacher name, grade level, a copy of your photo ID, and how your child will be going home in the email. We cannot accept verbal requests over the phone.

STUDENT CHECK OUT

If you are planning to check your student out early, we ask that you pick them up **BEFORE 2:15 PM**. This is to ensure that there is time for you and your child to leave the parking lot before our dismissal process begins.

SMART TAGS

Every student will have a Smart Tag attached to their backpack. This tag will be scanned each day as they leave the building. The tag must remain on the student's backpack for the entire year. If you change backpacks please send the Smart Tag with your child so that we can reattach it. If at any time you notice your child is missing their Smart Tag please email their teacher to let them know. You can register for parent updates to be sent to you through the SMART tag Parent Portal. https://www.conroeisd.net/transportation/smart-tag/

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

- **Bikers and walkers:** Bikers and walkers will cross the street at Deerfoot Circle with our crossing guard. Once they have crossed the street, they will follow the sidewalk turning left inside the brick wall. Bikers and walkers will continue to follow the sidewalk all the way to the front door entrance. Students or parents should NEVER

cross over any driveways to get to the building entrance. Please do not use the bus ramp to walk your child to school (use the sidewalks around the perimeter of the campus).

- **Car riders**: Car riders and day care van riders will be dropped off at the front porch starting at 7:30AM. For the safe flow of traffic, it is imperative that entering vehicles form one line. Drivers should proceed with caution when approaching the school to drop off children. Students should be unbuckled and ready to open their own car door (when possible). For your child's safety, children must get out of the car on the CURBSIDE. Please make adjustments in your car so your child can exit the car on the right side. All parents should remain in their cars and pull all the way up the sidewalk so that others can drop off and our line moves quickly.
- **Early drop-off:** You may drop your student off starting at 7:15 AM, but your child will need to be able to exit the car without help. At this time we have staff on duty at the front door and waiting for your child in the cafe. Your child will wait in the cafe until their teacher is ready to receive them at 7:30AM. Please do not stop at the front door entrance. Pull all the way up the sidewalk so that others can continue to drop off as well.

- **Bus riders:** Bus riders will enter through the bus ramp door. Please remember that students are only allowed to ride their assigned bus.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Car Riders: Car riders will be picked up in the car rider line that starts at the front of the school. Please remain in your car and wait for a school employee to assist your child. Please have your car rider sign ready with the name of your student(s) showing. Email your child's teacher if you are in need of extra signs, or visit the front office. The sign ensures that we are placing each child in the car of the person authorized to pick him/her up from school and will help to speed up the car rider line. If you do not have a sign, you will need to park in the parking lot and visit the front office with your ID.

Helpful tips:

- Traffic must keep flowing. If you need to buckle your child up, please pull up to the wait spot to do this.
- Please make sure you have your car rider sign in the window until your child is in the car.

- Please ensure when you join the car rider line that you are joining at the end of the line. If you happen to cut in line and your child's name has not been called (due to passing up our car dismissal caller), you will be asked to park and come inside.
- When driving up to the front porch please do not stop to look for your child. The students are in order based on your spot in line. Please drive all the way up before you stop.
- Please be in line to pick your child up before our ending dismissal time of 3:30.

Bus riders: Bus stop information can be accessed through the CISD website. The transportation department website contains bus arrival and departure times and valuable safety information which will help you teach your children about bus safety. Your child should never get on a bus without scanning their Smart Tag. This will help ensure your child is getting on the correct bus and that you will receive departure information.
PK/Kindergarten students will NOT be dropped off at a stop unless a parent is present and has a bus sign. If a parent is not present the child will be brought back to the school and a parent must come pick them up.

Daycare: If your child is absent or not riding the daycare transportation, please notify the daycare of the change. Daycare drivers must account for all children before leaving the school. If your child is riding a school bus to a designated daycare, you must fill out a Bus Service Alternate Address Form. Otherwise, your child will be dropped off at your home address. You may complete this form through the CISD website.

Bikers/Walkers: Bikers and walkers will be dismissed starting at 3:10. As soon as your child's grade level arrives they will be dismissed. Children classified as a biker/walker must live in the neighborhoods near the school. If your child is a biker/walker and you are planning to meet him/her at the campus, please wait along the sidewalk inside the brick way or under the awning by the annex door. All biker walkers will exit the annex doors (doors closest to the bike racks). Bikers will be dismissed first.

Helpful tips:

- **Biker/walker signs provided by the school must be displayed by the person picking the child up for grades PK-2.** If you do not have a sign, please contact our front office.

- The crossing guard will assist all bikers/walkers in crossing Many Pines
- **Parents are NOT permitted to park and leave their vehicle on Many Pines, the school parking lot, or in the Glen Mill Subdivision to pick a child up**. This creates safety concerns and traffic delays.
- We encourage the use of bike locks and helmets for those students who ride their bikes to school.
- **Do NOT park in the vacant lot** on Many Pines Drive just past the school. You take the risk of your vehicle being locked into the lot or towed.

Please see below for our arrival and dismissal traffic patterns. Thank you for helping to ensure we have a safe drop-off and pick-up each day! If you have any further questions about our arrival or dismissal process you may contact our front office at 832-592-5800.

LAMAR TRAFFIC PATTERNS



