

Cougar Families,

After consulting with local law enforcement agencies, district security staff, other CCSD personnel, as well as other CRMS stakeholders, please find below the dismissal procedures we will use beginning Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

As you read them, please keep the following points in mind:

1. Camp Road Middle has grown from about 350 face to face students to 680. As a result, the dismissal procedures previously in place need to be modified to promote student safety for an increased number of students walking away from Camp Road at dismissal.
2. We are in a new building on a very congested road with continuing construction occurring.
3. In many cases, COVID-19 concerns have resulted in parents picking up their children separately instead of car-pooling or having their children ride the bus. This makes our car rider line seem excessively long.
4. Despite this increased number of car-riders, if all parents chose to pick up their students using the car-rider line, we could load and clear within 30 minutes. Right now, it is running 20 minutes in length. We encourage parents who can do so to wait until 3:35-3:40 to enter the car rider line instead of coming early to sit and wait.
5. We will not offer matching passes for walkers as this would slow down the car rider line with more pedestrian traffic trying to cross. **Any parent who wants his/her child to walk at dismissal may continue to expect this to occur, as long as the student is following CRMS procedures. Failure to do so, however, may result in revocation of this dismissal option.**
6. Walkers MUST cross Camp Road with the help of the crossing guards to travel towards Walgreens as the side-walk happens to be on the other side of the road from Walgreens. We cannot allow students to officially walk off CRMS grounds heading in the direction of Walgreens on the side of the road without the sidewalk. PLEASE ensure your student is aware of this expectation. Also, pedestrian traffic on the wrong side of the road stops the car rider line from moving.
7. GREAT NEWS/ACTION REQUIRED: We are ADDING a bus that will travel to JICHS each day. Our buses leave very quickly, usually between 3:40 and 3:45 each day. So, for parents who live near JICHS and/or athletes needing to get to JICHS, picking up students at JICHS might be a better option. Athletes have first priority, but there will likely be room for other students on this bus. Please **EMAIL Ms. RANDALL if you are interested in this option.**

CHANGE/PLEASE NOTE: The second car-rider, double-stacked lane will be used beginning Tuesday, as it is physically drawn on the pavement immediately beside the school front and can accommodate about 20 more cars. Cars will merge back into one lane at the front entrance of the school and then move down as a single lane for actual student pick-up. This will allow more vehicles onto the school campus, freeing up space on Camp Road for non-school traffic. ***Throughout the car-rider line, please pull up as close as is safely possible to the car in front of you.***

CHANGE/PLEASE NOTE REVISED DISMISSAL TIMES:

- 3:26 pm: ALL BUS-RIDERS will be dismissed to go to the buses.
- 3:28: 6th Grade CAR-RIDERS will be dismissed.
- 3:30: 7th Grade CAR-RIDERS will be dismissed.
- 3:32 pm: 8th Grade CAR-RIDERS will be dismissed.
- 3:42 pm: ALL WALKERS will be dismissed.

The Walkers are being held to last in consideration of walker safety. This will allow two lanes of cars to stack up in front of the school to pick up students in the car-rider area without stopping for the walkers to

cross. Delaying walkers will also allow the congestion on Camp Road to dissipate further prior to walkers interacting with the traffic, thus providing a more safe environment for student walkers.

IMPORTANT: Any student walker traveling in the direction of Folly Road will be required to cross Camp Road at the designated crosswalk in front of the school with the assistance of the School Crossing Officers. This will put students on the side of the road where a sidewalk exists.

We continue to ask parents who pick-up their children in a vehicle to do so using the car-rider line. Parents should avoid parking on nearby streets or at private businesses to wait for their children to walk to their location.