

September 10, 2020

Dear Middle School Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! Our faculty and staff continue to work on plans for a safe return to school for our middle school students. Please review the following information which will explain the morning and afternoon drop off and pick up protocols. There will be staff available outside during arrival and dismissal to assist.

**MORNING ARRIVAL:**

Pearl River Middle School will be serving breakfast from 7:05 a.m. - 7:25 a.m. All students who are having a school provided breakfast will enter through the student cafeteria, pick up their breakfast, and will be directed by a staff member to an available seat in the cafeteria, where they will eat and remain seated until they are dismissed to their classroom.

**DOOR ENTRANCES:**

All students who will be having breakfast, as well as grade 6 students will enter through the cafeteria doors. Grade 5 students will enter through the glass doors down the sidewalk from the gym, and grade 7 students will enter through the gym doors closest to the locker rooms.

**CAR DROP OFF:**

If you plan to drive your child to school, and they are NOT having breakfast at school, we ask that you arrive between 7:30 a.m. and 7:45 a.m. in order to alleviate overcrowding during bus arrivals. Please DO NOT drive into the bus circle unless directed by a staff member. Continue to the marked drop off location at the top section of the parking lot.

**AFTERNOON DISMISSAL:**

At the end of the day, students will be dismissed first according to their bus numbers, followed by the students who will be walking or getting picked up. If you are picking up your child, please do not enter the bus circle unless directed by a staff member. You should arrange to meet your child in the top section of the parking lot.

Back to School Night will be rescheduled sometime in late September or early October and will be conducted virtually. More details to follow as they become available.

Thank you for your support and patience. We all look forward to our students' return to learning.

Sincerely,

Maria A. Paese