

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL
New Pick Up Procedure 2011-2012

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

The main goal of this change is to ensure the safety of every student. A secondary goal is to increase the ease, flow and speed of the pickup time at the end of the school day. Your patience and understanding is requested as the kinks are worked out. With everyone following the rules and traffic patterns, we can maximize the flow of traffic and increase the safety of our students.

PROCEDURE:

1. Form 2 lines of traffic southbound from the Douglas Ave entrance to the NW corner of the Parish Center. Pull as far forward as possible towards the NW corner of the Parish Center and keep to the perimeter of the parking lot in order to keep traffic off Douglas Ave.
2. Overflow traffic should pull into and around the parking area closest to the lower, northeast entrance of the church, near the Adoration Chapel. This will allow more cars off Douglas Ave.
3. Place the laminated card with your family number (given to you at registration) on your visor so that it is clearly visible.
4. A teacher with a headset/microphone will be located at the NW corner of the Parish Hall and will relay the family numbers of the first 4 cars to the teachers on duty in front of the student waiting area. The 4 cars will be directed into one of the 4 “pickup” spots located in front of the student waiting area.
5. Students will wait for their parents in the area underneath the basket ball hoops. Students *will* be grouped according to the family number assigned at registration. So, if your family number is 100, ***all your children*** will go to the area marked by a cone with the 100 sign.
6. The teacher on duty in the student waiting area will call out the family numbers to the students.
7. The student will enter his/her car once the family number has been called and the car has come to a complete stop at one of the 4 “pick up” spots.
8. Once the student is safely in the car, the car will pull into one of the 2 lanes of traffic exiting onto 66th Street. There will be one lane for cars turning left onto 66th and one for cars turning right onto 66th.

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Be alert, cautious and patient! Please avoid using your cell phone during this time. Your full attention will help move the process along.
2. Remain in your vehicle and do not leave it unattended.
3. **During school hours** you will only be able to **ENTER** the parking lot via Douglas Avenue.
4. **During school hours** you will only be able to **EXIT** the parking lot from 66th Street, and **turn either right or left.**
5. **Do NOT park in the empty parking spots in the middle of the parking lot or in the circle drive in front of the church. Students are not to walk across/through the parking lot.**
6. **Students will only be released to vehicles.** You may not pick up your students on foot after parking in the lower lot or meet them on the pre-school playground. **Our goal is to eliminate students walking/running across the parking to a waiting car or to the playground.**
7. **ONLY THE STUDENTS RIDING THE BUSES or those walking home WILL BE ALLOWED TO EXIT FROM THE FRONT DOOR (WEST DOOR). PARENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PICK UP THEIR STUDENTS ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL.**
8. Middle school students will continue to be dismissed through the north door. **However, they will now wait in the same waiting area as the other students**, underneath the basketball hoops. Middle school parents will go through the pickup line.
9. Students riding home with another family will line up with and respond to that family’s number when it’s called.
10. If you would like to meet and chat with other parents or have your children play on the pre-school playground, please park in the lower parking lot near the Adoration Chapel entrance to the Church.