



Safety Concerns

Vehicle Seating Safety

Please remember that children need to be safely buckled in your car whenever the vehicle is moving. A child under the age of 8 years must be seated in the back seat of a vehicle in a safety or booster seat that can be buckled into the seat belt system. Regardless of age, until a child is 4' 9", he or she should sit in the back seat and with a booster seat.

Please review this safety information about child seating in a vehicle at this site:

<http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/drivers/programs/kiss.html>



Cell Phones and Driving

It makes sense that the state of Illinois has banned texting while driving. Please also remember that it is a violation to use a cell phone while driving in a school zone. This includes our drop off and pick up lane as well as much of Cossitt Avenue between LaGrange Road and Gilbert.



Crossing Madison Avenue on Foot

During drop off and pick up, please cross Madison Avenue at the corner of Madison and Cossitt with the crossing guard. We see numerous parents and caregivers walking their children through moving traffic across the middle of the street. This is incredibly dangerous and encourages children to dart out into the street through parked cars which could have tragic results.

Students Exiting Vehicles on Harris Avenue

Please do not stop your car along Harris Avenue to drop off your children in the morning. This disrupts the traffic in the car line and creates a safety hazard. You need to remain in the lane curb that hugs Harris Avenue, turn the corner on to Madison Avenue and then pull forward and allow your children to exit the vehicle in the appropriate spot.

Pick Up Parking

Some of our neighbors have legitimate concerns about parents parking in their lots while waiting for the children to be dismissed from school. Please do not park in the small area along Cossitt Avenue in front of the Methodist Church. That area is reserved for parking by those attending the Methodist Pre-School. Also, please do not park in the lot at the LaGrange Public Library while waiting for your child. That lot is reserved for library patrons.

