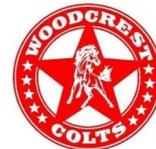


Woodcrest Elementary
Riverside Unified School District
16940 Krameria Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504



Dear Parents,

As you have likely discovered, driving to Woodcrest to drop off and pick up your students can be a challenge. There are too many cars, too few parking places, and only one way in and out of our parking lot.

What is the solution? Before school, there is supervision when the gate opens at 7:50. There is no traffic and lots of parking at that time and up until 8:05 or so. You may consider coming a little earlier than usual. After school, we have lots of supervision for students. If you wait until 2:50 to arrive, you will be able to get right into the parking lot. Just tell your child to relax and wait a few minutes. We will keep them safe! You can also find a place to park in the neighborhood or at the library and walk to and from school with your child. It's a time to visit about the day ahead or the day just finished.

In order to improve the flow of traffic through our drop-off/pick-up lane in front of school, you may have noticed orange cones separating the parking lot lane from the drop off lane. Before you pull through in the morning, please make sure your child is ready to quickly exit the car. Papers should already be signed, lunch or lunch money in the backpack, and any other needed items ready to go. Have your child exit on the curb side of the car for safety. Pull as far forward as possible to the car in front of you. We will have volunteers assisting our morning supervisors getting children out of vehicles and onto campus.

In the afternoon, the students whose rides are driving through to pick them up will be standing on the sidewalk in front of the fence where they exit the campus and will be watching for their rides. (See area "B" on the map.) As cars pull all the way forward, if the student does not immediately see their ride and begin walking toward the car, then the adults on duty will ask the driver for the child's name and will radio to the supervisor near the students to send the child over. Our goal is to quickly and safely get students to their ride and keep cars moving in off of Washington.

Parents who have parked and/or walked to campus to walk with their child, will wait in our "Parent Waiting Area". (See area "A" on the map.) Their child will exit through the gates and meet them there. If the parent is not there when the bell rings, it's okay. The student will go and sit on a bench under the tree or sit on the grass to wait for their parent to arrive on foot and will be supervised there. First grade parents will still pick up their child from the teacher at the first gate, right next to the parent waiting area. (See area "C" on the map.) TK and Kindergarten students are still dismissed to parents from the MPR. (See area "D" on the map.)

The safety of your children is a top priority. Please help us keep them safe by complying with all traffic laws. Do not ask your child to cross Krameria or Washington illegally. Only allow them to cross at the signal with the crossing guard. Their life and safety is worth the few minutes of extra time involved.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Jeanette Prescott
Principal