

## MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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Bayshore Families and Community:

As we begin the first marking period of the 2019 - 2020 school year we wanted to communicate and reinforce the expectations regarding student drop-off and pickup in order to ensure the most efficient and safe procedures for students, staff, parents, and visitors.

We recognize that our location and parking structure pose a unique set of challenges and we have made some changes to help divert some of the traffic flow towards a different location to alleviate some of the congestion. We will continue to look for additional solutions within our means to help improve this issue. To that end, we would like to take this time to reinforce a few basic expectations that will help to ensure a smoother process in the meantime.

1. All cars should pull as close to the stop sign as possible. Drivers are encouraged to use the entire sidewalk on the right hand side, as there is room closer to the sign that will help to alleviate some of the congestion.
2. Be sure to drop-off and continue moving. The loop is not meant for parking, waiting, and socializing.
3. When dropping off a student it is imperative that cars pull all of the way in towards the sidewalk. Dropping off students in the middle of the loop or on the left hand side creates a safety risk and when cars do not park parallel to the sidewalk it results in the potential backup of other cars.
4. Drive slowly and carefully. Being courteous and respectful to all other drivers and allowing cars to merge back into the flow of traffic one car at a time will only help with this process.

We recognize that our layout, location on a main county road, and subsequent procedures have caused frustration for many and we appreciate your attention to this outlined information. It is important that all drivers focus on being alert and cautious at all times. Thank you and we hope that all drivers will do their part to ensure the safety of all.

Sincerely,

*Michael Scarano*