



SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Woodrow Wilson Elementary School
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you for your continued support. As we move forward, I want to review a few key safety updates to ensure our students and families remain safe and supported.

Start of the School Day

It is highly recommended to have your child arrive at school between 7:30am -7:45am. Although school starts at 8:00 a.m., arriving early will give your child ample time to prepare for the school day. If you are driving, this will give you time to find parking in the neighboring area. We have noticed parents and children rushing in the morning. The rushing often leads to students arriving late and having a rough start and can lead to a traffic accident. Please arrive early to ensure that your child gets off to a great start.

For the safety of your child, please do not drop off your child before 7:30am. There is no supervision until 7:30am.

The following directions will make the drop-off and pick-up procedures more efficient and safe.

Safety Precaution-Drop off/ Pick up on Baker

Thank you for your partnership in keeping our students safe during morning drop-off and pick-up. To ensure a smooth, efficient, and safe morning arrival and afternoon pick up, please review the following traffic guidelines:

- **Use the White Passenger Drop-Off Zone:** Children must exit/enter only from the passenger side (curbside) along the designated white line.
- **Pull All the Way Forward:** Do not stop at the first open spot. Pull up as far forward as possible along the white curb before letting your child out or picking up.
- **Be Ready to Exit/Enter:** Please have your student packed up and ready to exit promptly as soon as your vehicle comes to a complete stop. When being picked up, students should promptly enter the vehicle,
- **No Parking in Red/White Zones:** Never park or leave your vehicle running unattended in drop-off zones.
- **Keep Traffic Moving:** Do not double-park or stop in the middle of the street to drop off or pick up students, as this blocks traffic and creates safety hazards.
- **Use Crosswalks:** Do not drop or pick up students off across the street to cross on their own through moving traffic. Always use designated crosswalks.

Traffic Safety Observations & Reminders

We realize that our traffic and parking situation is less than ideal. The safety of our Wilson students is of great concern. I have seen children in dangerous situations as they get out of the car and cross the street. Please do not unload passengers from the driver side of the vehicle. Do not allow students to run across from the opposite side of the street.

Please be mindful and respectful of the special education buses on Baker. The buses need to park so that students may exit and board the bus. Please do NOT remove parking cones, park and double-park in the red zone. Let us all work together to keep our students safe.

As adults, we serve as everyday role models for our children. Please remember to show kindness and courtesy to our activity monitors when they ask you to pull forward. Their top priority is supervising our students and keeping everyone safe during arrival and dismissal!

Citations

Periodically, the SAUSD and/or SAPD issue traffic citations for double parking, parking in the white passenger loading/unloading zone, and parking in the red zone. The white zone is a passenger drop off zone. Parking and leaving the vehicle unattended is not permitted. The red zone does not permit parking of vehicles. Please adhere to the local city, state traffic and parking laws to avoid being cited. Avoiding a citation and adhering to laws will help keep our students safe.

Please keep in mind, street sweeping occurs every Tuesday. Please do not park in those identified areas. Parking enforcement does issue citations. Most importantly, please come early to avoid traffic congestion and to find parking in other areas.

California Daylighting Law – Please Keep Crosswalks Clear!

For everyone's safety, **please do not stop or park:**

-  **Within 20 feet of a crosswalk**
-  **Within 15 feet of a crosswalk with a curb extension (bulb-out)**

Keeping these areas clear helps drivers see pedestrians and keeps our students and families safe.

Thank you for helping us keep our students and families safe.

Respectfully,



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