

Good Afternoon SSES Families,

As we approach the second half of September, we would like to remind families of a few procedures along with some upcoming dates.

Ordering lunches on Healthy Hunger

Please do not start ordering lunches on Healthy Hunger. We are not quite set up yet. We will let families know when they can do so through an email alert like this one.

Entering the building during school Hours

For the safety of our students, it is important for parents, guardians and/or caregivers not to enter the school through the side or back doors. We know this can be especially hard with our new primaries who may be upset about leaving the parent. We have wonderful teachers and support staff who will take care of them and take comfort in the fact that, almost all the time, the crying has ended before you have walked off the property. If you need to come into the school, please enter through the main office doors on Highland Ave.

No parking in front of the school on Highland Ave.

Please be aware that there is no parking in front of the school on the school side of Highland Ave. The area directly in front of the school is designated an accessible parking area and for bus drop offs and pick up.

Morning drop-off and Afternoon Pick-up...with the family dog

If the family dog is accompanying families on the walk to or from school, please do not crowd the entrances to the school property. We have had a few instances over the past year where students have come running through to greet their family members and have startled a dog. This has led to a negative interaction which is neither good for the student or the dog. I ask that dog-walkers please spread out and ensure that there is sufficient space at the exits and entrances so that we avoid these type of situations. I would also like to remind families that dogs are not permitted on school grounds and must remain off the property.

Smoking on school grounds

Please be reminded that there is no smoking on school grounds. If you wish to smoke while waiting for students to go into school or waiting for pick-up, we ask that you please consider doing so across the street.

Important dates coming up...

Pink Shirt Day tomorrow, Sept. 14

- **Picture day** this Friday, Sept. 15
- Curriculum night/PTA BBQ (BBQ starts at 5:00pm /Curriculum Night 6:15pm-7:15pm

Yours in Learning,

The Staff of SSES