**August 17, 2016**

Dear Woodland Families:

Welcome Back, Everyone! We are off to a sensational start! It is such an inspiration to see our students’ excitement for learning and our teachers’ passion for instruction as we journey together into our 2016/17 academic year. Our motto this year, as so beautifully crafted by our School Leadership Team, will position our students for continued Woodland success and enthusiasm ~ Learn. Lead. Serve. Repeat.

**Our Leadership Links**

We could not be more excited as we prepare to engage our students with student leadership and community-based projects in alignment with our essential Lifeskills and Seven Habits. We have titled those particulars as our Woodland Leadership Links. With that shared, you may often hear your Woodland student use simple phrasing such as: *Personal Best, Be Proactive, and Think Win-Win, etc.* These are just small examples of our essential Lifeskills and Seven Habits. We cannot wait to share more with you throughout the year!

**Afternoon Car Lines**

As you know, student and staff safety is paramount within our community of learning As such, after processing through our afternoon car lines these past two weeks, several details of importance have emerged. Please do not hesitate to call or email should you have questions or concerns with respect to the following particulars:

* Grade K – 3 car riders and [grade 4 car riders with younger siblings] will be positioned in our front car line.
* Opposite of that, Grade 4 car riders will be positioned at our Educare entrance.
* Please place your child’s “name sign” in your front windshield so that our teachers on duty will quickly know the appropriate names to call through our radio system.
* Please ensure that you are driving in a ***single line formation*** as you travel through our afternoon car lines.
* ***Please do not pull to the left of any vehicles within the car line in order to create a second car line [very dangerous].***
* Please remind your students to only enter your vehicles from the curbside. As you know, entering on the opposite side of the curb is very dangerous.
* **Please limit your speed within the car line.** We never know when a student, parent, or staff member may cross our pathways. Monitor closely, please.
* Please ensure that your student is secured within his/her carseat or seatbelt. If your student needs assistance with this process, please let the teacher positioned at your student’s cone verbally assist you. Please do not exit your vehicle for this process. In addition, School Resource Officer JT Holleman is a trained car seat specialist in this regard, please reach out to him with any questions that may arise.
* If your car rider is delayed, the teacher on duty will let you know. Please pull beyond the “green cones” by parking alongside our orange cones. The teachers on duty will escort your student to his/her vehicle.

Thanks so very much for all that you do to make Woodland great - it is a JOY to work with each of you! You have entrusted your child or children to us, and that is most important to our Woodland team.

With kindest regards,

Dr. Karen Reach