**Bauder Elementary**

**2024-2025 Travel to School Safely**

**Important Information and Reminders – Revised January 2025**

Our Bauder Elementary staff works hard to ensure that our students are safe, each and every day.

We want to share a few reminders so that we can **ALL** work together for the safety of Bauder’s children.

1. **Doors/Gates** – The Bauder building and gates surrounding Bauder are locked during the day. The front doors on the south side of the building (facing 86th Avenue) are the only access point for visitors to get into the building. ALL visitors on campus during the school day **must come through the office**. If your child arrives at school later than 8:40 am, PLEASE bring them to the front office as they will not be able to access the classrooms or main building. PLEASE DO NOT ASK CHILDREN OR ADULTS TO OPEN DOORS OR GATES – this compromises everyone’s safety.

2. **Parent and Visitor parking** is located parallel to 86th Avenue on the southeast side of the front parking lot. There is no parking across 86th Ave. North, in front of the baseball fields, and down 86th Avenue on either the north or south side. This also includes in front of Richard Jacobsen High School. No parking signs have been placed for reminders.

3. **Car Circles** – We have over 500 children at Bauder. We utilize Curbsmart to ensure the most efficient car line dismissal possible. Efficiency depends on the partnership with our families and everyone abiding by the procedures. You will be given 3 placards (car/pick up tags) at Meet the Teacher or the first day of school. This car tag **MUST** be displayed from the rearview mirror to ensure it is visible to all staff. **Should you not have your car tag, you will be directed to the front office to pick up your child**. Please display the car tag in your front windshield until you exit the Bauder car circles.

\*The car circle is the safest way to pick up and drop off your child. If you absolutely must park, you need to do so in the front West Parking Lot/Parent Parking. You then must walk and pick your child up from the office. Parents are not permitted to walk into the car circle area. There is no parking in the bus circle and **STUDENTS CANNOT BE DROPPED OFF OR PICKED UP IN THE PARKING LOTS. IT IS NOT SAFE!!!**

\*If you are in the circle, do **NOT** exit or leave your vehicle to get your child; adults will assist the children into and out of the cars. If you need to exit your vehicle to secure a child in a car seat, please use our West PreK car circle.

\*Arrival - The West Car Circle and West Pre-K Car Circle are used for AM drop off each day. The EAST Car circle will be closed each morning. Please drop off students to ensure enough time for breakfast in the cafeteria. Students are no longer eating breakfast inside their classrooms.

\*Dismissal - As you arrive in the WEST or EAST car circle or at the East or West Walker gates, a staff member will enter your placard number into the system. This will tell your child where you will be picking them up. This will remind your student(s) where to go for dismissal. **Please have the official placard as we do not accept pictures of placards or handwritten placard numbers.**

\*Please do not turn left out of the West Car Circle. There is a posted **“No Left Turn”** sign and the Sheriff’s Department will ticket parents. It also backs up the West Car Circle as traffic is heavy coming both ways on 86th Ave. North. There is **NO PARKING** IN THE FIRE LANES ON THE West Car Circle. You are subject to ticketing if you park in a FIRE LANE.

 \*Please refrain from being on your cell phone in the car line.

\*Please refrain from smoking or vaping in the car line. The car line is considered school board property and there is no

 smoking or vaping permitted on school premises.

\*Please keep your speed to less than 10 mph as this will ensure all staff and students can safely move to cars for dismissal.

4. **Walkers** – For children whose parents will be picking them up at the East or West Walker’s gate, please have your actual dismissal placard available to show to the staff member on duty. Otherwise, your child will wait until the announcement for all walkers and bike riders to exit, which occurs at 3:00 pm.

5. **Supervision** – Campus opens for students at 8:15 am, which is the earliest that children can arrive on campus. Dismissal of students begins at 2:55 pm. After the first couple of weeks of school, and once our dismissal routine is running smoothly, any students remaining on campus at the end of the day will be brought to the front office at 3:15pm. Parents will need to visit the front office to pick up their students and sign them out. Any students not part of ELP or an Enrichment Club, picked up after 3:25pm, will be considered a tardy pick up.

6. **Bus/Van Circle** – The front of the building circle is for county buses and day care vans **only** in the morning and afternoon – no cars are allowed to park/drive through this designated bus and day care van circle during the arrival and dismissal process each day (8:15am-8:45am and 2:35-3:15pm)

7. **Visitors** – ALL visitors with school business must report to the office to sign in. ALL visitors must provide a government issued photo ID prior to entering our school building. This includes any portion of the campus including the PE Field and portable classrooms.

8. **Change in plans for pick-up** – It is highly recommended for the safety of all students that parents create a consistent dismissal plan which is communicated to your child’s teacher. This also helps your child learn where they are meeting you each day. Changes in dismissal plans may create a confusing situation for your student or creating longer wait times. Children verbally sharing their dismissal plan with the teacher is not an acceptable means of communicating a change. Changes should be made in writing in agenda books or via e-mail to the teacher.

**We are all responsible for the safety of our Seahawks!**

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