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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I'm reaching out to our school families today to ask that everyone please be mindful of safe practices when traveling to and from our school buildings. Earlier this week, a concerned parent made me aware of a "near miss" between her vehicle and a student that could have had a serious outcome.

Children continue to exit vehicles while parents wait on queue on streets with moving traffic. In their concern to get to school on time, many students are crossing mid-street rather than at crosswalks, darting out from between parked cars. It is imperative that every family reinforce safe practices for their children whether they travel to and from school on foot or by car.

If your children walk to school, please remind them to use crosswalks and look for crossing guards. If you transport your children make sure they only exit or enter the vehicle following the building's drop-off and pick-up procedures. If you are unclear as to what is in place at your child's school, please consult the principal's office.

If you have a young driver in the household, please remind them of the importance of vigilance behind the wheel and help them develop good organizational skills so they are able to allow plenty of time to arrive at school safely.

We've been blessed by amazing weather this week but rain and snow and slick roads are just around the corner. If everyone does their part, we can get through the fall and winter seasons safely.

Thank you for your attention to this important subject.

Sincerely yours,

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