



Parking Lot Safety

A safe and secure learning environment is a priority at Grace Valley Christian Academy. Therefore, we ask parents to observe the following guidelines when dropping-off and picking-up students:

1. **South Parking Lot:** All school staff and school families should use the south parking lot for parking and drop-off /pick-up during school hours. The north parking lot is reserved for church staff.
2. **Arrival Time:** Students are not permitted to arrive before 8:10 am, as we have no yard duty on campus before that time. But do ensure that your child arrives at school by 8:25 am to line-up on time.
3. **Dismissal Time:** Make every effort to pick-up your child by 3:00 pm. If there is an unforeseen emergency and you cannot be at school by 3:10 pm, contact the school office.
4. **Speed:** Remember to drive slowly in the parking lot, adhering to the posted speed, and following the crossing guard's instructions. There are many children present – do not compromise the safety of others because you feel rushed.
5. **Yield Sign:** Cars exiting from the south (school) parking lot **MUST** obey the Yield Sign near the entrance of the parking lot. Yielding means giving the right of way to all other cars, whether the car is exiting from the north (church office) parking lot or the car is entering the parking lot from Road 98. Not all the cars entering the parking lot are turning right to go to the south parking lot, many cars proceed straight going to the north parking lot. If you are exiting from the south parking lot and do not yield, you can cause an accident.
6. **Drop-off & Pick-up Area:** The designated drop-off and pick-up area is the yellow curb in front of the science lab (do NOT drop off at the access road). If you wish to avoid the queue, please park your vehicle and escort your child to/from the yellow curb via the cross walk.
7. **Cross Walk:** Use the cross walk at all times during the hours of 8:00 am – 3:30 pm. Walk only on the asphalt and do not cut through the trees (cars are parking and may not see a child emerging from the trees). Do not cross the parking lot toward the school along the south-most fire lane.
8. **Unattended Vehicles:** You may **NOT** leave your car unattended at any time during school hours (8:00 am – 3:30 pm). Unattended vehicles at the yellow curb interrupt the flow of cars passing through the parking lot.
9. **Access Road:** The access road to the east parking lot is closed to vehicles and students during school hours (8:00 am – 3:30 pm). Students are to enter the school through the quad, not the access road. A chain has been placed at the entrance to the road as a visible reminder.
10. **Adult Supervisor & Crossing Guard:** Always follow the directions you are given by the adult supervisor and the crossing guard.