



SYRACUSE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Jaime Alicea, Superintendent of Schools

Office of the Superintendent

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Dear Huntington Parents,

We are excited to begin a new school year at Huntington with you and your children. As one can clearly see, we are in the beginning process of a renovation project that will enhance the school building. This project consists of the construction of a new main secured entrance as well as a front bus loop for the safe arrival and dismissal of our students. The site work associated with the front bus loop is scheduled to be completed by the beginning of November, therefore we have had to make a minor adjustment to arrival and dismissal procedures as we start the school year.

I would like to commend Principal Harlow and the Huntington staff for the great work that they have done to develop some procedures for arrival and dismissal that will help alleviate some of the congestion that has occurred during dismissal in past years. The school has assigned the side entrance by the cafeteria as the temporary single point of entry and dismissal for students and families. The contractors at the site have erected a protective barrier along the west side of the building to shield students from any vehicle traffic entering the side and rear parking areas and allow for the safe entrance to the building for students, parents, and staff.

Until the bus loop is complete, the bus dismissal procedures will be the same as last year, with busses entering the side parking area and staging in the rear of the building to load and unload students. Security staff and personnel will be on site to supervise this process as student safety is paramount.

We have arranged for parent drop off to be at the assigned, temporary single point area, however please keep in mind that this will be very busy with limited to no parking. Parents are encouraged to pull up to the drop off area and have their children exit their vehicle; once their children exit the vehicle, parents will need to pull away from the drop off area as other vehicles will be following close behind. If you need to enter the building with your child, you will need to park in the side parking area away from the pick-up and drop off area or utilize off street parking on the adjacent streets. There should be no parking on Sunnycrest Road as it becomes very congested and is a Centro Bus route. Kindergarten parents who wish to walk their child into the building, please use the walkway that is protected by barriers, which leads to the single point of entry near the cafeteria doors. Again, we will have plenty of staff to help supervise walkers and ensure their safety.

Although this is an inconvenience for us at this time, we look forward to the completed project and the new bus area. As Superintendent, your child's safety is of utmost importance to us. Please do not hesitate to call the Huntington main office with any questions or concerns you may have.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jaime Alicea'.

Jaime Alicea
Superintendent of Schools