

## Progress Report and Reminders - September 11, 2020

Dear Families,

We are so grateful for the thoughtful cooperation with the health and safety procedures we have in place this year. Everyone has been so understanding and cooperative as we worked through the new drop-off procedures with the health checks and travel restrictions. You have also been keeping children home when they have even slight symptoms. We also trust that you have been behaving safely outside of school (see Jade Harmon's illustration above!) Thank you!

To make the mornings as efficient as possible accommodating these new procedures, here are a few reminders:

- The staggered start times can really help with congestion. Please arrive during your program's window. **Please note that Middle School is now a 15 minute window, and in future weeks we might be adjusting other programs to also be 15 minutes.**
  - TP - 8:30 - 9:00
  - CH - 8:30 - 9:00
  - LE - 8:15 - 8:45
  - UE - 8:15 - 8:45
  - MS - 8:00 - 8:15 (earlier and shorter to make it better!)
- Drive slowly and carefully, use your turn signals, and watch for other cars pulling in and out.
- If you arrive later than your time frame, or return later with a missing lunch or water bottle, please wait in your car at the regular drop-off location for your program and call the front desk number (802-257-0500) listed on the sign at each spot.

The students have shown themselves to be amazingly resilient and adaptable. They have been wearing masks (all except for the Toddler Program - though even a few of our youngest students have been practicing!), and enjoying all the time in their outdoor classrooms. Students have been distanced for lessons both indoors and outdoors (3 feet for students through Upper EI, 6 feet for Middle School). We have had to give reminders about getting too close for any extended period when working together inside the classrooms, as this distancing continues to be a work in progress.

We are thrilled to have the students back in-person and are building community ties that will sustain us through whatever is to come.

Thank you and stay well,

[Tamara](#)