VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J



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Dear Vernonia Elementary Families,

On behalf of the staff of the Vernonia School District, I would like to welcome you to the 2023-2024 school year! We look forward to an exciting year of learning, growing and collaborating with you!

Before the year begins, I would like to share some important information about student dismissal and how it will work this year. The procedures we have in place are designed to ensure the safety for all our students. We will begin releasing elementary students 10 minutes before middle and high school students are released. Buses will be parked in the loading zone in front of the school. Parent pick up will be located along the sidewalk on the east side of the building. The following procedures will occur for elementary dismissal:

Student/Staff Responsibilities

- Designated staff wearing blue vests will call for bus riders or parent pick up using walkie talkies.
- All students will exit the building through the front doors and walk along the sidewalk to the loading area for either the bus or parent pick up escorted by staff.
- Designated staff will check off students as they load the bus or parent vehicle.
- We will also have designated staff for supervision.

Parent Pick Up

- Elementary families that regularly pick students up from school will be assigned a number to display on their rearview mirror. The number will be the same for all their students.
- As you enter the parking lot, turn right and drive along the perimeter of the lot until you reach the pick up/drop off zone. Staff will be present.
- Pull all the way up to the front of the loading zone .
- Please remain in your vehicle so that as the line moves, you can pull forward.

Walkers

- All walkers will use the designated crosswalks in front of the building.
- We will have our VES Safety Patrol present to support students and families.

Parent Responsibilities

• Notify the school of any changes in your child's normal dismissal routine either in writing or by phone. Please try to minimize last minute changes.

Safety is a top priority for the Vernonia School District. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have.

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