Safety is Our Priority!

The staff of Vienna Elementary School is dedicated to insuring that each student is safe throughout the school day as well as before and after school. These guidelines are to protect your child and all other children at VES. We appreciate your cooperation in making sure that our arrival and dismissal time runs smoothly and safely each day.

Students who WALK to school

Due to overcrowding and safety concerns at dismissal time near Door #14, all walkers grades 1-6 now dismiss through Door #12 located near the Walking Wednesday coffee location.

No parents will be allowed to congregate or wait for students outside of Door #14 except for K parents.
Morning Drop-off

- Please pull forward to the stop sign if you are the first car in line.
- Please do not leave your child until a staff member is present to receive students.
- Students should exit cars on the passenger side only. Students will leave cars and enter the building through the front entrance Door #1.

FCPS Mandates on Bicycles and Pets

Bicycles

- Walkers in Grades 4-6 may ride their bicycles to and from school. Ask for the “request to Ride Bike to School” form and submit form for principal approval BEFORE the child begins bicycling to school.
- Students are not permitted to rollerblade/skateboard, or ride motorized scooters or other powered transportation, to/from school.
- Bike racks are located near our Walking Wednesday/parent visiting location.

Pets on School Grounds

Although many of our families and staff are pet lovers, please remember that pets are not allowed on school property. This includes the outside play areas and grounds. Thank you for respecting this important school board policy.

Afternoon Pick-up

Kindergarten students will be gathered inside a rectangle box area under the overhang near Door #14. All K students who walk or are picked up at K & R must be met by a parent/authorized adult in this location.

- ALL OTHER WALKERS will be exiting Door #12 out of the gym.
- Parents are asked to wait for walkers outside of Door #12. This is the area designated for parents to visit as they pick up their children at the end of the day.
- No parents will be allowed to congregate outside of Door #14 except for K parents. Once you have your child and a K teacher knows you have picked them up, please exit the area.
- We encourage you to use the KGR line if you are picking up your child rather than parking and walking up to greet them.
- Please pull forward to the sign if you are the first car in line.
- Students will be dismissed to the cars that are in the first 4-5 cars in the K & R line.
- Students should enter cars on the passenger side only. Patrols will assist with car doors as needed.
- Drivers are asked to remain in their cars and should not leave their car unattended in the line. Drivers are asked to stay in line and are not permitted to pull around the other cars.
- Only buses are to use the bus lane.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten students need to have an adult or a sibling in 7th grade or above in order for the student to be released off the bus at the end of the day. If no one is at the bus stop, the student will be transported back to the school and parents will be called to come and pick up their child.

Walking Wednesdays

Every Wednesday is Walking Wednesday and each student walking or biking to school receives a new foot charm to recognize their efforts. Vienna ES has made this one of our priorities to support the healthy lifestyle for all of our students. If you can’t walk/bike to school, talk to neighbors and start a walking “school bus” so that more students can participate. If you are a bus rider, you need to be accompanied by an adult to school. Parents often gather for coffee on Wednesdays and also help with our school garden. Safety is our first priority and promoting a healthy lifestyle a VES tradition.