December 3, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians of Students at Vance Elementary,

Our deepest gratitude and thanks to many of you for your positive, helpful response to our new drop-off and pick-up procedures that have been put into place due to the construction of the new ten room addition. Your willingness to adapt and assist with the procedures is most appreciated!

There are a few details we must work out in order for these procedures to be **completely** safe for everyone. They are as follows:

## **Morning Car Line**

Please do not enter the driveway until 7:30 a.m. There will be times when a bus might be late and will need to proceed to line up with the other buses before 7:30. In addition, our teachers are to be at school before 7:30. If even one parent pulls up at 7:22, teachers are blocked and unable to go around, park, and report to their classrooms or morning responsibilities. Once again, please do not enter the driveway until 7:30 a.m.

Please have your students ready to exit after your car comes to a complete stop. They should have all instructions from you for the day, their backpacks, and sweaters/coats/jackets ready to go. They do not have to wait on someone to open the door for them – <u>especially</u> students in the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. They may open the door, exit, and go in the direction they are instructed to go.

## Afternoon Car Rider Line

<u>Please do not enter the driveway until 2:30</u>. Again, the reasoning for this is that a bus might have been late for whatever reason and will need to get with the other buses. Once the buses are all here, the first person in line will be motioned to enter the driveway if it is <u>before</u> 2:30. We do not want anyone on Highway 11 any longer than they have to be!

There is a sign at the end of the exit lane clearly stating there should be no left turns onto Highway 11! The most important reason for this sign is to keep the lives of your loved ones and the lives of other people's loved ones safe! When you choose to turn left, you are endangering the lives of the people in your car and the people in the cars around you! In addition, it is against the law. The fine for an Improper Turn is \$20.00, plus an additional \$170.00 to cover court cost.

If you have someone else dropping off in the morning, or picking up your student in the afternoon, please make sure they are aware of all procedures.

Keeping Everyone Safe,

Carolyn Wilson
Principal