

William A. Shine
Great Neck South High School

341 Lakeville Road
Great Neck, New York 11020

(516) 441-4800

Susan Elliott
Principal
selliott@greatneck.12.ny.us

January, 2011

Dear Parents,

We are concerned about keeping everyone safe when arriving to school. Specifically, student drop off in the morning continues to be an issue. While we now have four guards directing traffic and things have improved, the large volume of vehicles involved presents a challenge. On any given day we average 175 cars passing the front of our building from 7:45 to 8:00. After observing traffic patterns with our security and transportation officials, we still hold the following concerns:

- Drivers are dropping students off in the middle of the road rather than at the curb.
- Students are getting out on the driver's side of the vehicle.
- Traffic is backing up on the service road.
- Drivers are not following traffic directions, leading to unsafe situations.
- Some drivers are driving too fast.

Starting January 10, 2011 we will be implementing the following drop-off routine:

- The only place passengers can be dropped off will be between the Main Entrance and the East Gymnasium entrance.
- Drivers must follow the directions of the guards. If you are instructed to proceed to the Gym to drop off, please be sure to do so.
- After dropping your child off, you must continue to the far end of the mall (opposite the East Gym) in order to make the turn back towards Lakeville Road.
- Drivers should not drive through the lower lot to get back onto the service road. Go around the entire mall and enter the service road from the main service road gate. It would help a great deal if everyone would exit onto the service road rather than going back through the upper lot onto Lakeville.
- Teachers and students who park in the lower lot should enter the campus via the lower gate.

Your cooperation and patience is appreciated. We hope that this will ensure everyone's wellbeing. While these procedures may be a bit cumbersome, the benefit is worth it.

Very truly yours,

Susan Elliott
Principal