



# John F. Kennedy School Updated Safety Protocol 2023-2024

As part of an ongoing commitment to providing a safe and secure school environment for all, we continue to update our security measures on a regular basis. Please note that any changes, or protocols being reestablished, will be in effect beginning on **August 31, 2023**.

**The Main Entrance is for visitors only.** All faculty and staff will enter and exit the building from other doorways with employee card readers.

Visitors will be subject to our new visitor protocol. **This new visitor protocol requires that all visitors come to school with some form of identification and that they know, and are able to communicate, the purpose of their visit.**

Visitors that come to school for the purpose of dropping something off will be directed to drop off their item(s) in our front vestibule. **Please make sure that all packages are clearly labeled.**

We have also made a number of changes to our **dismissal procedures.**

All students who are dismissed as walkers will have to exit the building from the West Parking Field doors. **No students will be permitted to exit from any other doors.**

If it is necessary to pick a child up early from school, this must be done **before 3:00 PM.** We understand that there are certain unavoidable circumstances that require students to leave school before the end of the instructional day. You will wait in the front vestibule for your child and sign them out with security.

Our teachers and students are actively engaged in teaching and learning until 3:10 every day. Repeatedly signing out children early will result in disruption to the learning process for all, as well as a significant loss of instructional time.

Additionally, to limit interruptions to our dismissal process, **no visitors will be permitted to enter the building between 3:00 and 3:25.**

We thank you in advance for your adherence to these new procedures as they will make our building measurably safer for all.