

The Episcopal School of Dallas - Good Neighbor Policy (GNP)

The Episcopal School of Dallas is proud to be a part of the community and our neighborhood. When participating in daily and special events at the school, please always be mindful and considerate of the safety and welfare of our neighbors.

We ask that ESD community members who drive to and from campus to adhere to these school guidelines:

- 1) Drive with extreme caution and care around and through campus.
- 2) Drive on main roads and thoroughfares rather than cutting through on side neighborhood streets. Use Midway and Merrell Roads to the greatest extent possible, not residential neighborhood streets.
- 3) Park on campus when spaces are available in the lots. **Do not park on the NORTH side of Merrell Road during carpool hours, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.**
- 4) When picking up your child in the afternoon, use the designated carpool lanes, do not have your child meet you off of campus to bypass carpool lines. This is not a safe practice, creates additional traffic flow and pedestrian crossing problems, and is against City policy.
- 5) Respect the private property of residents in our neighborhood. Do not litter, loiter or block access to and from homes.
- 6) Refrain from cell phone and handheld device use while operating a vehicle.
- 7) Refrain from conducting u-turns on Midway and Merrell Roads.

When we are aware of upcoming significant campus traffic events like graduation or homecoming, we will notify you and our neighbors via email with specific adjustments and plans to arrival, parking and departure.

Contacts:

Campus Security 214-366-8888 (24 hours, 7 days a week)

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Communication of ESD's Good Neighbor Policy

Parents, Faculty, and Staff:

- 1) Posted continually on the parent and faculty portals of the school's website.
- 2) Distributed to all parents via email in the August back to school notice.
- 3) Shared with all faculty and staff at the beginning of the school year.
- 4) Reminded periodically throughout the school year and as needed.

Upper School Student Drivers:

- 1) Shared with and acknowledged by Upper School students when they register their car and are assigned a parking space.
- 2) Reinforced in Upper School "Town Hall" meetings and in smaller advisory group meetings periodically throughout the school year.
- 3) Posted continually in the student notices section of our learning management tool utilized by students on a daily basis.

When the school observes or is notified of an ESD driver who is not adhering to the school's internal policies the Director of Campus Safety will communicate with that person (if identified) immediately. Students may face disciplinary consequences including possible loss of driving privileges based on the offense. Actions that go against the spirit of the school's GNP may be reported to Campus Safety, Assistant Head of Upper School, or the Associate Head of School.

Student Parking and Driving on Campus

Parking and driving on campus is a matter of privilege and not a right. Student vehicles parked on campus must be registered with the Director of Campus Safety and must display their assigned parking sticker on the front lower left corner of the windshield above the Texas registration sticker. All drivers are expected to drive safely and courteously and to abide by all traffic regulations while on campus. The speed limit on campus is 5 mph. Faculty, staff, and students are expected to park in their designated parking areas only. Students and faculty are to park in marked spaces only and should not park against the parking lot curbs as this prevents other vehicles from entering and exiting. Vehicles parked in the fire lane are subject to towing and/or fines levied by the City of Dallas. Handicapped and visitor parking spaces are marked and are to be used for their designated purpose only.

As part of being a "good neighbor," students should not park on public streets in the residential neighborhood - this includes Merrell Road. Students should not move their vehicles after school to be closer to an after school activity, such as an athletic practice or play rehearsal.

We are a part of the greater Walnut Hill/Midway neighborhood community and strive to minimize the impact of school traffic on our neighbors. Students and parents should utilize Midway Road and Merrell Road to the greatest extent possible when driving to and from school. Crestline, South Better, Gooding, Middleton, Northcrest, Southcrest, East Lawn, West Lawn, and Ridge

are not acceptable routes for school traffic unless the student is a resident of the neighborhood, visiting a resident of the neighborhood, or picking up/carpooling with a student who resides in the neighborhood.

Violations of the parking and driving regulations may result in warning citations, detentions, or loss of driving/parking privileges on school property.

Contact for student driving related questions or concerns:

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