



## Sam Houston Elementary

1701 S. Hall Street

Ennis, TX 75120

### Survival Guide for Student Arrival & Dismissal

Welcome back! We are excited to start another great school year here at Sam Houston. As we begin the year, we would like you to be informed about the student drop off and pick up procedures at school. The procedures outlined in this letter are intended to promote student safety. To be successful, it is imperative that everyone cooperates. The Houston staff strives to encourage parents to follow the parking lot and driveway procedures in order to maximize the flow of traffic. We acknowledge that your time is valuable, but the safety of our students must be our priority.

#### Entering the Car Loop

- Cars will be coming from both directions off Hall Street and entering into the car loop. This driveway has 1-way traffic only.
- Pull forward into one of the 6 loading spots (3 in each lane of the driveway) designated by the number cones on the sidewalk.
- 6 children will load/unload at a time. Please do not allow your child to get out of the car until you are safely stopped in one of the 6 loading spots.
- Please follow the directions of staff members on duty.
- Parents are to remain inside their cars – do not leave car unattended.

#### Exiting the Car Loop

- Cars will split into 2 lanes as they enter the car loop in the front of the school. They will be directed to the next available numbered spot for drop-off and pick up. PLEASE REMAIN IN YOUR VEHICLE AT ALL TIMES. An employee assists your child in and out of your car.
- You must turn RIGHT when exiting the car loop driveway. Signs are posted to indicate no left turns onto Hall Street.

#### Important Reminders

- Follow the law and posted parking designations. We ask that you do not park in the fire lane by the curb at any time, especially during school programs. You risk receiving a ticket from Ennis Police Department any time that you choose to park illegally.
- Any parent not driving through the car loop to pick up must walk to the sidewalk to pick up their child. Do not "wave" your child over between cars or across the street / parking lot.
- Speed limit on campus is 5 mph.
- Drivers are asked to extend courtesy to the school's neighbors by not blocking driveways and allowing cars from the side streets to enter the traffic flow.
- We ask that everyone, even parents, use a crosswalk. We want to model the use of a crosswalk for our children / students.
- School Begins: 7:45 a.m. Jumpstart assembly starts at 7:40 AM every morning
- Classes will begin at 7:45 A.M. We ask that those students who ride with parents arrive at school no earlier than 7:05 A.M., when adult supervision will begin.
- Students will be dismissed at 3:00 P.M. in all elementary grades. If you are picking up your child, please do so by 3:10 P.M. at the designated area.



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We appreciate your patience during the first 2 weeks as we strive for arrival and dismissal to run efficiently and safely.

