

Bridgeport Elementary

Dismissal Expectations

Dismissal Goal: Our hallways at Bridgeport Elementary are safe, clean and peaceful environments where everyone shows courtesy and respect. It is our goal that all students are dismissed in a safe and orderly way, making sure all students leave school safely.

Individual teachers may have more restrictive rules, but never less restrictive.

Responsible Dismissal Behavior

- Students will keep body parts to themselves.
- Students will hold materials appropriately.
 - *Hold materials to chest or side*
 - *Wear backpacks on both shoulders (backpacks with wheels should be on back, not rolling behind a student)*
 - *Lunch bags with straps on shoulders or at side*
 - *Coats held or worn appropriately*
- Students will walk in a single file line and stay together.
- Car riders will be dismissed 2 – 3 minutes early and will walk quietly and wait in lines at the corner of the great hall. Intermediate students will line up on the left side of the intermediate wing, stopping at the library. Primary students will line up on the right side of the primary wing, stopping at the library. The car riders will then be led into the gym in a safe and orderly manner. Car riders should be seated (in their correct spots) and wait quietly until staff in the gym dismiss them.
- Kindergarten car riders will be led to the gym by the kindergarten aids prior to bus dismissal.
- Tiger Time students will line up with car riders and will walk, with the teacher, down the hall. Tiger Time students will be dropped off at check-in in front of the cafeteria.

- Bus riders will go, with their teacher, out to the buses. Intermediate students should stay to the right in the great hall and primary students will stay to the left or walk down the middle of the great hall.

Supervision Responsibilities

- During the first week of school, dismissal expectations will be taught.
- Teachers will walk with their class, monitoring at all times.
- All homeroom teachers will walk bus riders out of the school to make sure students are safely on the bus and remain there until busses leave the campus.
- Non-homeroom teachers will be assigned to monitor hallways and the gym.
- Teachers will respond to any student who needs help, even if the student is not in their class.
- Everyone will treat others with dignity and respect.

Encouragement Procedures

Staff will consistently encourage responsible behavior through positive interactions. All staff is responsible for encouraging/praising specific quality behaviors they see.

- Tiger paws can be earned for responsible dismissal behavior.
- Verbal praise should be given by all staff.

Consequences for Infractions

When a student misbehaves, calmly and consistently implement the most appropriate consequence. (Misbehavior is an opportunity to instruct appropriate behavior.) All staff is responsible for correcting any misbehavior they see.

- Verbal reprimand
- Positive practice—Have the student try it again.
- Positive practice during student's free time (TDA).
- Use office referral only for physically dangerous behavior, illegal behavior or for overt insubordination.

