



AMS Eagle News



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Hello AMS Families,

As promised, below is information regarding the arrival and dismissal process at AMS, in addition to other useful information such as school hours, September Student Calendar, link to Sodexo food services, and dates of upcoming events. Please read through the entire newsletter. It's a long one!

AMS School Hours

[CAP & Grades 1 - 4](#)

Children Enter at 7:40 AM

Day Begins at 7:50 AM

Dismissal at 2:25 PM

[AM Kindergarten](#)

Children Enter at 7:40 AM

Day Begins at 7:50 AM

Dismissal at 10:37 AM

[PM Kindergarten](#)

Day Begins at 11:37 AM

Dismissal at 2:25 PM

Arrival Dismissal Process

Placing your child on the bus is the safest and most efficient way for your child to arrive at Amsterdam Elementary School in the morning and to return home (or to parent designated after-care) in the afternoon. Students must follow the same dismissal procedure daily. **If there is a change in your child's daily dismissal plan, please complete the [Dismissal Change Form](#) by 1:00 PM.**

AM Parent Drop-Off Procedures

The AMS main office is closed from 7:35 AM - 7:50 AM during morning arrival.

- Please note, parent morning drop-off on campus is limited to children who can get out of the car independently on the passenger side. As a reminder, parents must remain in the vehicle at all times.
- Parents may begin lining up for morning drop-off along Amsterdam Drive (See illustration below).
- No cars may enter the Amsterdam driveway unless directed by an AMS staff member starting at 7:35 AM.
- Once you are allowed into the driveway, all cars will proceed along the highlighted route (See illustration below) by making their first left and stopping at the fire hydrant.
- Cars can not pull forward until the AMS staff member holding the Stop/Go sign directs them to do so (See illustration on the next page).
- Once directed, cars will make a left and must pull all the way forward to the stop sign at the top of the driveway (See illustration below).
- Students MUST exit the vehicle on the passenger side and proceed along the sidewalk to the main entrance.
- Once your child exits the vehicle, cars will only be able to make a right hand turn onto Amsterdam Drive.
- Please do not make either a K or U-turn on Amsterdam Drive, this creates a hazard.



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Parent Pick-Up prior to 2:00 PM

- Please park in an available spot in the front parking lot. Do not park along the front curb as that is a fire lane.
- Please remember to bring your photo ID with you to the main entrance.
- Ring the doorbell and an office staff member will let you into the vestibule.
- Your photo ID will be used to generate a visitor badge allowing you access to the building.
- You will then be admitted into the main office and sign out your child for the day.
- Your child will be sent to the main office for dismissal.

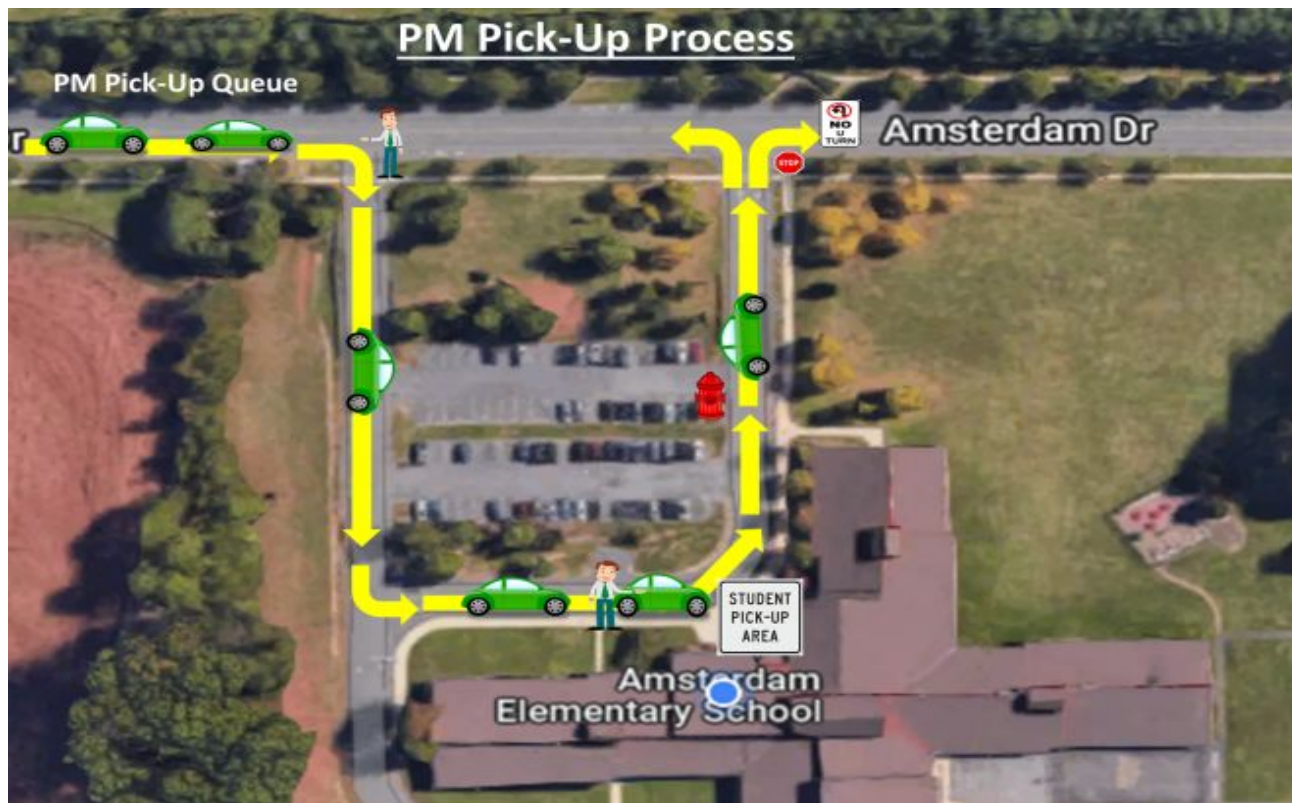


Parent Pick-Up at Dismissal

The AMS main office is closed from 2:00 PM - 2:25 PM.

**If you need to pick up your child prior to dismissal,
you must pick them up before 2:00 PM and follow the procedure outlined above.**

- Parents may begin lining up for afternoon pick-up along Amsterdam Drive starting at 2:10 PM (See illustration below).
- No cars will be allowed to pull into the campus while buses are present.
- Once all of the buses have departed, a staff member will allow cars to enter the driveway.
- Cars should proceed to the bottom of the driveway, turn left, follow the yellow curbing and stop at the Main Entrance where the student pick-up area will be (See illustration below).
- Parents are to remain in their vehicle at all times. Please have your photo ID ready to show a staff member when they approach your vehicle.
- A staff member will ask you to sign out your child once you provide your photo ID.
- After you sign out your child, your child will be escorted to your vehicle.
- Please proceed forward and exit the campus.





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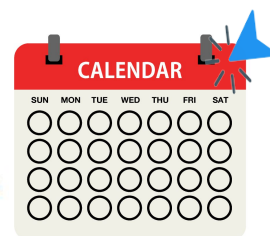
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A Few Final Reminders

- If your child will be a “Permanent Parent Pick-Up”, please remember to email the school secretary, Mrs. Jeannie Demetrio, at jdemetrio@https.us
- A water bottle filling station has been installed by the gym/cafeteria hallway.
- Snack time will be provided during the day. Please send your child(ren) with a snack.
- Lunch will be held in the cafeteria and the cost is \$3.00. Please click [here](#) to go to the Sodexo HTTPS website.
- **Genesis:** If you have never logged into Genesis, if you have forgotten your password, or need any help connecting, please contact our secretary, Mrs. Jeannie Demetrio, at (908)431-6600, ext. 2396, for assistance. It is important that every parent is linked to their student’s account and is routinely accessing their Parent Portal throughout the school year. Prior to Wednesday, if your child is a returning first through fourth grade student, please enter the parent portal and review your child’s password for their chromebook. If you are a kindergarten student or new to AMS, your password will be provided the first week of school.

We look forward to an exciting and wonderful year! We will see you on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

Sincerely,
Michele Fisher



Dates to Remember

09/05 - AMS Open House (8:00am - 8:30am)
09/11 - BTSN Grades 1 & 2 (6:00pm - 8:00pm)
09/12 - BTSN Grades 3 & 4 (6:00pm - 8:00pm)
09/18 - AMS Picture Day
09/25 - School Closed (Yom Kippur)

REMINDER

If there are any changes to your child’s daily dismissal plans, please complete the [Dismissal Change Form](#).

For information on AMS’s Home and School, please visit the [ASHA Homepage](#)