# Mary G. Porter Traditional School

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### **CAR LINE & PARKING LOT PROCEDURES**

**For your child's safety** and a safe return to and from school, the following carline and parking lot procedures are in place and remain in place ALL YEAR LONG.

- 1) Students are to be dropped off ONLY in the carline circle in the front of the school. Where we have staff members monitoring the students.
- 2) Drivers will either turn into the school entrance or proceed up Forest Park Drive to get in line behind the last Porter carline vehicle.
- 3) Students ONLY exit the vehicle once it is inside the carline 'circle' and on the RIGHT SIDE of the vehicle. We ask that parents please remain in the car; staff members will be present to aid with students getting out of the vehicle.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- The school parking lot is **NOT** to be used for student drop off and pick up. We do not want students or parents walking on the street where there is heavy traffic from the busses and car line. **ALL parents will be directed to get in the car line for both pick-up and drop-off.** The parking lot will be closed to entering or exiting from 8:40am 9:00am.
- Please DO NOT drop your student(s) BEFORE staff are outside to receive students. We do not have staff present to supervise them if they get out of the vehicle early. NO students should be sitting outside before 8:50am. ALL carline students MUST stay in their cars UNTIL the carline staff direct them to.
- All cars will be directed to the carline. The parking lot will be closed in the mornings from 8:40-9:00am.
- If you are coming to school to VOLUNTEER, CHAPERONE, OR FOR A MEETING, ETC......please drop your student off IN THE CAR LINE and then you may go park and walk in.
- Only RIGHT TURNS INTO and OUT OF the school entrance are permitted, in order to help with the flow of traffic.
- Please DO NOT park & drop your student off on the opposite side of the street and walk across the road, it is not a cross walk.
- Please DO NOT drop your student off and have them walk between the cars that are waiting in line properly.
- Please DO NOT drop your student off in a neighborhood nearby to walk to school. We do not have crossing guards, nor cross walks, and this is very dangerous. In addition, it disrupts the traffic flow.



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#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

The local community has contacted VDOT & PWC Police regarding the <u>illegal U-turns</u> being made up on Forest Grove Dr. Their response was that they will enforce AND ticket according to the Code of Virginia § 46.2-845, it is illegal for a driver of a vehicle to turn his vehicle so as to proceed in the opposite direction, except at an intersection.

There is an alternative! Coming from south bound Route 1; you can make a right turn on Vantage Drive, at your 1st stop sign make a left onto Forest Grove Drive and Porter will be on the right.

REMEMBER: <u>riding the school bus is an option</u> but remember also that you will need to drive and escort your child to and from the bus stop.



## **CARLINE COURTESY**

Does this happen to you?

### Here are a few common courtesy's we'd like to pass along...

When you are pulling your car into the carline, please pull all the way up to the car in front of you. Do not leave a gap, someone will fill it with another car...effectively 'cutting' into the line

Please DO NOT drive to the front of the carline and park in a spot that is 'open' between 2 cars already in the carline.

Please DO NOT park/pull into the spot at the front of the carline, in front of the cones, this is a reserved spot.

Please show courtesy to the cars already in the line, DO NOT pull into what appears as an 'open' space in between 2 cars....this is 'cutting' into the line ahead of everyone that is already there.

For the safety of ALL STUDENTS and STAFF MEMBERS, please DO NOT use your CELL PHONE while you are in the carline.

We appreciate your attention to this matter.

