

Dear Woodrow Wilson Elementary Families,

As principal of Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone back for a great school year! I am so excited to welcome your student back in person. It is our mission to help every student feel part of our Wilson family. We are focused on ensuring each student will show academic growth this school year. At Wilson, we have great teachers who spend hours planning and creating classroom activities to engage our students in learning to make sure students are learning in a safe, fun environment.

Please see our school website, <https://www.columetcity155.org/3/home>, for helpful information and the most up to date calendar.

Mask Wearing

All students, staff, and visitors will be required to wear masks while in the building. Please make sure your child has one that he/she is comfortable in so he/she is able to leave it on. Our friends have been so great over the summer at leaving masks on, and I know they will be safe and respectful as the year starts too! Students will be spaced out with 3 ft of distance within the building as well as an added safety precaution.

Supply List

The supply list is very condensed this year and is available here:
<https://www.columetcity155.org/wes/News/46#sthash.JCpzvfxz.dpbs>.

You'll notice one item on the supply list for everyone is a refillable water bottle. The fountain portion of the water fountains will not be used this year. We will only use the touchless water bottle fillers to help keep everyone safe and hydrated :)

Student Drop Off

Students cannot be dropped off before 8:15 as there will not be supervision. At 8:15, there will be staff outside to ensure your child goes through the gate to his/her class line safely. At 8:25, all teachers will walk their class into the building for breakfast.

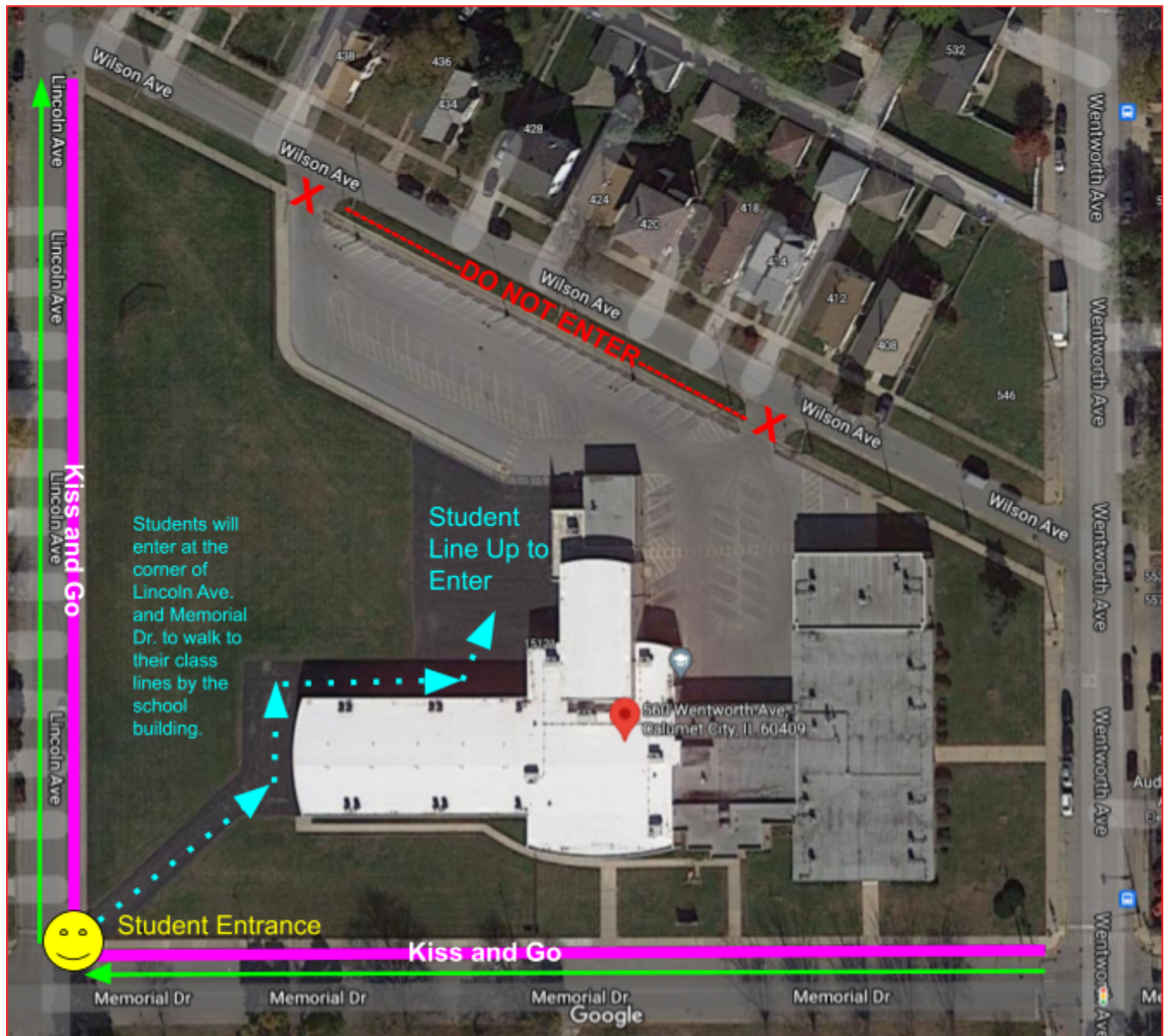
Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. The gym will only be used for morning drop off in the event of dangerous weather. Students will wait outside in cold, rain, and snow so long as it is not dangerous.

If your child cannot wait outside, please drop him/her off at 8:25 to ensure he/she can walk right into the building.

(See map below)

- When dropping off your student, the westbound side of Memorial Ave. and the northbound side of Lincoln Ave. can be used for your child to exit the car on the curb only. This should be a quick Kiss and Go- "unbuckle, grab the backpack, kiss goodbye" stopping.
- Please do not park along Memorial Ave. or Lincoln Ave. for more than the Kiss & Go drop off.
- After exiting the car, students should walk down to the corner of Memorial and Lincoln to enter the fenced area, where students will wait in class lines. This is marked with a smiley face on the map below. Adults will be out to help the students.

- PLEASE DO NOT HAVE YOUR CHILD CROSS ANY TRAFFIC ALONE. We do not have crossing guards. You may walk your child across the street, but students are not to be sent across alone.
- Double parking will not be allowed and can be ticketed by Calumet City Police Department.
- We know you will need to be patient, especially at the beginning of the school year as all of this gets sorted out, and we appreciate you keeping all of the students' safety in mind as you wait for a spot along the curb.



STUDENT PICK UP

- Pick up will begin for PK/K at 3:05. 1st and 2nd graders will exit the building at 3:10. All students are expected to be picked up by 3:15.
- Students on the bus or day care transportation will be sent on the bus unless a handwritten note/ email is sent in or a phone call is made to the office before 2:30 pm.
- Students are expected to be picked up by the parent or guardian according to the areas marked on the map below.

- STUDENTS WILL NEVER BE SENT TO CROSS A STREET TO GO TO THEIR CAR WITHOUT A PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO CROSS WITH THEM.
- Please have students enter the car on the CURB SIDE ONLY so they will not need to go into moving traffic.
- Students are expected to tell the staff member(s) supervising the grade that they are leaving and indicate who they are leaving with. Please do not have your child run to you without saying they are leaving first.
- Please be patient the first couple weeks while the staff will still be getting to know who is picking up the students. This whole process does start moving smoothly, and we are ensuring that all of our students stay safe!



Breakfast and Lunch

Both breakfast and lunch are provided to all students at no cost. No ordering is necessary.

Please make sure if you send a healthy lunch from home that students are able to open each part independently. Refrigerators are not available for student lunches, nor can student

lunches be warmed at the school. Please no glass containers. If you have other questions regarding meals at school, please contact the office at 708-862-5166.

Class Assignments

- Your child's teacher will reach out via email on August 16 with their contact info and reminding about drop off and pick up procedures for the day.
 - Backpack tags will be passed out on the first day of school. Your student's teacher will be indicated by class color and animal sticker. Please keep this on your student's backpack to help staff streamline our drop off and pick up procedures.
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Last, but not least, the first day of school is

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021
8:30-3:10

If you have not registered, please go to the district website to register online at www.calumetcity155.org.

Remember all our 2nd graders from last year travel to a different school for 3rd grade- Wentworth Intermediate School- and will begin and end 10 minutes earlier, 8:20-3:00.

Should you have any questions before the first day of school, please feel free to call 708-862-5166 or you can always reach me directly at amostyn@calumetcity155.org. Looking forward to a great school year!