

RUTHERFORD

Police Department

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Rutherford Police Department would like to welcome everyone back for another exciting school year. We are asking for your help in protecting all Rutherford students this year by driving slowly, following directions from crossing guards and school staff members, and parking appropriately. Our students depend on you making smart decisions behind the wheel so they can get to school and back home safely.

It is suggested that you arrive early to find parking near the school. Often, there are plenty of parking spaces just one block away from the school. If the curb is painted yellow, you are not allowed to park there (not even for a second). Also, students must be dropped off at the curbside. Please do not double park or let any students exit the vehicle in the roadway. It is dangerous to let children step into the road where cars are traveling.

Please help us in showing students how to properly cross at marked crosswalks, as well. You are the primary role model for your children. They will copy what you do so please display safe crossing habits. Students should only cross the road where there are crosswalks.

Always remember to follow the direction of the school crossing guards, as well as the school staff members in the area. They are stationed there for guidance during the drop off and pick up time periods. The traffic patterns are set up to ensure everyone's safety. Please do not drive around any cones or barricades in the roadway.

If the police department observes any violations, officers will issue summonses. The police department has a zero tolerance stance when it comes to anyone that puts the safety of our students in jeopardy.

Parking Reminders:

No parking within an intersection No parking 50 feet from a stop sign No parking 25 feet from a crosswalk No parking in front of a driveway No parking facing the opposite direction No double parking

The Rutherford Green Team would also like you to remind drivers that New Jersey law prohibits vehicles from idling for over three minutes. Please be mindful of this and turn your vehicle off when parking.

Thank you for your cooperation. Let's all have a safe and happy school year!

Sincerely,

Officer Anthony Bachmann #85
Traffic Bureau Coordinator