

Clancy-Maggiore School for the Arts

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Newsletter

Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Clancy-Maggiore School for the Arts. We're excited to have you as an essential member of our team. The school's faculty and staff look forward to a productive school year filled with excitement where greatness is expected. We are very happy that you are with us!

There are a few areas of which I want you to be aware:

- A child is **considered TARDY at 7:20 A.M.** The parent/guardian **must** come to the office to sign in their child if they are late. Your child's first period class begins at 7:20 a.m. sharp.
- **Detentions will be assigned for excessive Tardies:**
After every fifth tardy, the student will serve an afterschool detention from 2:10 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. in the cafeteria. You will be notified several days in advance so you can make arrangements.
 - There will be no front or side gate pick-ups this year unless you live within walking distance of Clancy-Maggiore (parties picking up students should be walking-- not riding in cars). We will not release walkers of any age group until after the 3rd bell at 2:10 p.m. Walkers will arrive and depart from the 21st Street gate.
- All changes for student dismissal **must** be made in writing to the teacher, via email to Clancy@jpschools.org, or via fax number at 504-469-0216 prior to dismissal. No request will be accepted after 1:30 p.m. A phone call will be made to the parent's number on file to verify the request. No messages will be taken over the phone.
- **No student will be checked out of school after 1:30 p.m.** Students will only be released to adults showing I.D. and correct name listed on the emergency card.
- Every child will be properly dressed in a clean school uniform each day. This includes the school's logo. Students are allowed to wear tennis shoes only. Students must follow all of the school's rules including uniforms to earn blue bands or Excellent Eagle.
- Excessive unexcused tardies and excessive unexcused absences will be referred to the Truancy Assessment Center. (There will be no *Perfect Attendance Awards* with tardies or early check-outs.) Students may only accrue 10 unexcused absences for a school year. Students will be retained for excessive absences. Students must return to school with a doctor's excuse or parent's note for each absence. The administration reserves the right to approve parent notes for absences. Students must make up all work within 3 school days of absence.
- We must have at least three connected working telephone numbers on file. One must be a local number.
- In order to attend Childcare, you must register and pay the registration fee **BEFORE** your child attends.
- There will be no lunch applications this school year. Based on our school's percentage of free and reduced lunch students, all students will be granted free lunch this school year. Please do not send any lunch money with students.
- All students must pay the required student activity fee (\$30.00 for pre-kindergarten students and \$25.00 for students in grades kindergarten - 5th.)

As you visit Clancy-Maggiore, please be aware of our campus security system which **everyone** must follow, **Any visitor**, (parent, guardian, school system employee, etc.) **shall first sign-in at the school office, secure a pass, and upon leaving, must sign-out in the office and return the pass. There will be no exceptions.**

You will receive many papers to read and perhaps sign during the first few weeks of school. Please go through your child's folders and look for items that need to be returned promptly. I look forward to a great and a safe school year.

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Bus Riders

Our #1 goal each day is to transport all bus riders safely to and from school. In order to accomplish this goal, we need the cooperation of students riding the bus. Good student behavior while entering, riding, and leaving the bus contribute in many ways to safe transportation. Such conduct makes it possible for the driver to give full attention to the roadway and other drivers.

Please take a few minutes to review with your child the information below concerning student conduct on the bus. The primary purpose of rules and procedures on the buses are for the safety of all students. Your child's cooperation in following all rules and procedures is appreciated by the drivers, other students, school faculty and staff.

Students will be required to ride the one bus to which they have been assigned. Students are not allowed to ride other buses. Please do not attempt to remove students at the bus line during dismissal.

STUDENT CONDUCT ON SCHOOL BUSES:

School buses shall be considered an extension of the classroom and students are expected to conduct themselves accordingly. All Jefferson Parish Public School System students being transported on school buses must comply with the Student Code of Conduct.

Behavior which is not permitted includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Being disobedient or disrespectful to the driver.
2. Standing or moving around while the bus is in motion.
3. Sticking your head or hands out of the bus window.
4. Throwing object(s) out of a window.
5. LOUD talking or laughing
6. Horse playing or fighting
7. Using obscene and/or unacceptable language
8. Littering the bus.
9. Eating or drinking on the bus.
10. Tampering with the bus and/or equipment.

Should the rules be broken, the following consequences will be involved:

FIRST BUS REPORT:

The student will have a conference with the principal, or designee, and/or other disciplinary action may be taken. The student will retain bus privileges contingent upon not receiving another report. The parent will be notified of the offense, the conference, or other disciplinary action.

SECOND BUS REPORT:

The student will have a conference with the principal, or designee, and/or other disciplinary action may be taken. The student will retain bus privileges contingent upon not receiving another report. The parent will be notified of the offense, the conference, or other disciplinary action.

THIRD BUS REPORT:

If the student receives a third bus report within the school year, he/she loses bus privileges for up to five (5) days.

FOURTH BUS REPORT:

The student will lose bus privileges for up to ten (10) days.

FIFTH BUS REPORT:

The student may lose bus privileges for the remainder of the year. In each instance the parents will be notified. In the event of initiation and/or participation in a major offense, a student may lose bus privileges for an undetermined length of time.

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Students

All pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students must have someone 12 years or older at the bus stop with them at all times to load and unload on and off the bus. If there is no one at the bus stop in the afternoon, students will be returned to school.

Clancy-Maggiore Carpool Procedures

The Carpool Lane is the street in back of the school. At Clancy-Maggiore, carpool is for all students **riding** in a car to and from school. The walker's gate is for students **walking** to and from school with or without a parent. Parents walking up to the walker's gate and getting in a car are breaking the law. **Our Carpool was approved by the Jefferson Parish Council and we are bound by rules to keep it operating. Please read and follow these procedures carefully. If we do not, it may be closed.**

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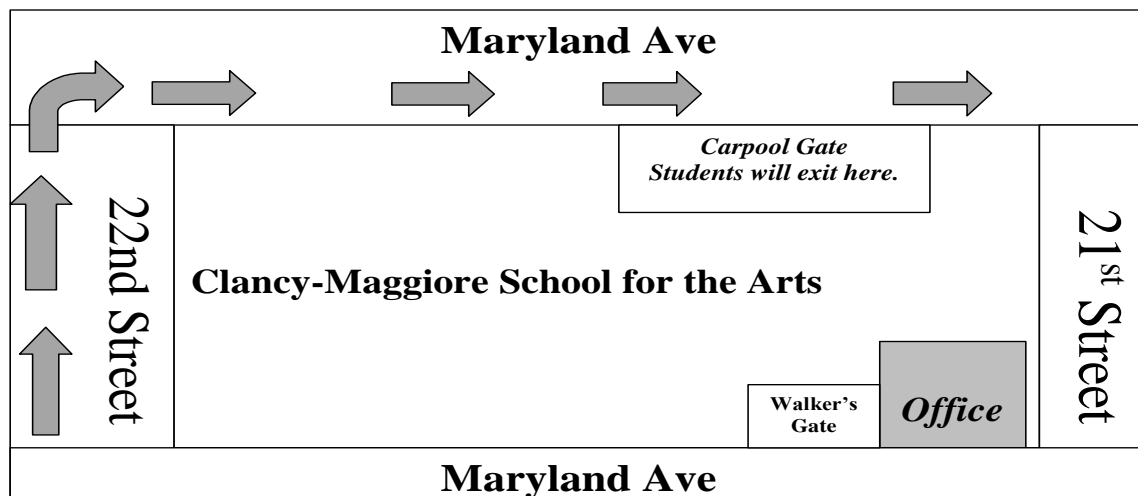
- The carpool line is on Maryland Ave. ALL STUDENTS riding to school in a car must participate in carpool.
- The KEY to making this Carpool safe and successful is patience and courtesy to other drivers, school employees, and Clancy-Maggiore neighbors.
- The ultimate goal is to get all children in and out of cars safely. The wait is not too long when your child's safety is at stake. Don't plan on rushing.
- Gates open at 6:50 a.m. every morning and close at 7:20 a.m. If you arrive after 7:20 a.m., you must escort your child to the office and sign him or her in at the counter. The child will be **Tardy**. Set your watch to school time. Gates close in the afternoon at 2:30 p.m. If you are not on time, your child will be in the office. **After 3 late pickups, you will be required to register your child for childcare and pay all registration and fees at the time of service.**
- Do **NOT** turn around, park in, or BLOCK any neighborhood driveways. Please be courteous to our neighbors.
- Students must enter the car on the passenger side of the car. No school employee will place a student in the car on the driver's side of the car.

AFTERNOON CARPOOL DISMISSAL:

- PINK card cars have only Pre-K 4 year olds or Kindergarten children in them. These cars go first, because their dismissal time is 1:50 p.m.
- Blue Card cars have children in grades 1 – 5, or multiple children of any grade. These children are dismissed at 2:10 p.m. DO NOT GET INTO THE CARPOOL LINE UNTIL AFTER 2:10 p.m. Do not arrive early and just sit. The only ones that should arrive early (after 1:55 p.m.) are the cars with PINK CARDS. YELLOW CARDS are for the walkers. Parents may utilize the carpool sign on rainy days.
- Car seats, by law, are to be on the right hand back seat...the back passenger side. We do not walk children around to get in cars on the Driver's side.
- Every car shall have a school made Carpool sign; not a homemade sign. Faculty and staff members will be available to assist you with the carpool sign-up. You must come to the office to sign up and get one.
- If you think you may use the CARPOOL at any time during the year, get a card! Better to be safe than sorry.
- The card will hang from the rearview mirror as you go through the line. Once the child is in the car, you may take it down. If you need more than 1 card, all you have to do is ask!
- NEVER park in front of neighbor's homes, nor block their driveways. Please be courteous to their needs as well.
- If your child does not come when his or her number is called several times, you will be asked to pick your child up in the office.
- You may NOT come on campus, go to the Carpool gate and ask for your child.
- Maryland is a one-way street every morning and afternoon.
- Use great caution in the Carpool driveway. You will always yield to people crossing in the carpool crosswalk on 21st Street. The crossing guard will have Slow and Stop signs to warn you.

FOLLOW THE DIAGRAM BELOW:

Police officers will issue a ticket to any adult not following the traffic pattern of carpool. Please use this diagram as notice of the traffic pattern.



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| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---------|-----------|--|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| | | | School Supply Drop-off Night 4p-6p | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| First Day of School For students in grades 1 st – 5 th | | | First Day of School for all Pre-K and Kindergarten students BOYS Students stay in school Parent Orientation 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. | First Day of School for all Pre-K and Kindergarten students GIRLS Students stay in school Parent Orientation 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| ALL Pre-K and Kindergarten Student will attend school | | | Deadline for 2 nd -5 th Students to Submit Elective Choice Letters | Freeze Pop Sale \$1.00 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| | | | Open House 5:00 p.m. -6:30 p.m. | |

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