

## PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY

Section 1174 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law prohibits motorists from passing stopped school buses while they are boarding or discharging school children on school property.

To allow for safe bus arrival and departure, the entrances on Half Hollow Road and Old Country Road are closed to all vehicular traffic during the following hours:

7:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m.; 2:20 p.m.-2:50 p.m. & 3:10 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

Please use the entrance on <u>**Pitt Avenue**</u> when dropping off and picking up students. This will ensure their safety. Please note that if parents are dropping off students at the Middle School in the morning, they should not do so until  $\underline{7:45}$  <u>a.m.</u> unless they are attending a scheduled extra-help session at  $\underline{7:30}$  <u>a.m.</u> **Prior to this time, supervision is not available.** 

When dropping your child off at school in the morning and picking her/him up in the afternoon, please use the **Pitt Avenue** entrance and driveway. Parents should enter the driveway and proceed in a counter-clockwise direction around the parking lot towards the building. As you near the building you will see that a student walkway has been painted in yellow on the ground. No one will be permitted to drive past this walkway, and DO NOT ENTER signs have been posted. After dropping students off, or picking up, continue to drive in a counter-clockwise position and exit the parking lot using the same driveway you entered from. Therefore, NO STUDENTS should be dropped off or picked up by entering the Old Country Road driveway, or the Half Hollow Road driveway.

In addition, New York State law states that no one is permitted to drive through a parking lot in front of a school building when buses are dropping off or picking up students, nor can they drive past a stopped school bus.

Please be advised that students will not be allowed to cut through the parking lots to get to their parents' cars. Parents are asked to comply with Suffolk county NO PARKING signs that are posted on Half Hollow Road in front of the school. Please do not park on the street and wait for your children to meet you. Please, follow safety pick up and drop off procedures.

The safety of our students is our number one priority. We appreciate your compliance with our system and thank you in advance for your cooperation.