

## *Kiss and Go Policy enforced starting Friday, August 5th*

The first couple of mornings we allow parents to wait with their children in the hall or gym and to walk children to the classrooms. Beginning, August 5th we will enforce our "kiss and go" policy which means that we ask you to say your good-byes and drop your child off either in the drive-thru lane or outside the front doors of the school building. We are a large school, and this makes it difficult to accommodate parents waiting in the building with their children. The kids enjoy hanging out in the gym and cafeteria, beginning at 8:05, chatting with friends. It's a social time! There is always supervision. If your child is experiencing separation anxiety and you need help, please let us know. We have some great staff members who really know how to support kids through this! If you have school business to take care of in the mornings, feel free to come to the office as we are here to help you! We ask that you do not go to classrooms because our teachers are busy preparing for the day. If you would like to meet with the teacher or volunteer (must have been background checked & cleared to volunteer) in the classroom, please contact him/her to make these arrangements. You also can generally catch teachers outside at dismissal time, if you have a quick question. Of course you can also email or call the teacher as well.

Our general school policy states that all visitors must sign in at the office and wear a sticker badge, and that all classroom visits must be pre-arranged as mentioned above. If a staff member asks you to report to the office to sign in and get a sticker badge, please know that they aren't trying to offend or upset anyone. SAFETY is our number one priority, always! STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT is a top priority as well, and limiting classroom interruptions ensures that instructional time is utilized to its fullest potential.

We are eager to involve you in our school! Please contact us if you're interested in representing Ridgeview as a School Accountability Committee member. We would love to have you join your child for lunch as well; that is always a special treat! There are many ways to be involved at Ridgeview, and we look forward to working with you!