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Wolfpack and Families,

I am writing to you about the ongoing importance of safety on and around the campus throughout the day.

All of us driving vehicles - students, staff, parents, bus drivers - have a shared responsibility to prioritize safety. We all have busy lives and schedules, and getting to appointments, work and the like can seem very important in the moment. This cannot be at the expense of safety.

I have a few reminders for you around the expectations for drivers at WNSS:

-please drive slowly and carefully at all times

-please exercise patience at all times - particularly the beginning and end of the day, and at lunch - watch closely for pedestrians at all times

-please give priority to buses as they leave and enter the school driveway

-pedestrians, please also keep your head up and walk carefully at all times - do not walk between buses or other vehicles

-the lane at the back of the school, near the basketball courts, is only for buses - nobody else should ever be driving through that lane

-I recognize that waiting for a string of buses to go before you can be frustrating, but please understand that these buses have a schedule that includes other school runs that they need to be on time for. Plan for this necessary delay in your scheduling of pick ups and drop offs. Arranging a pick up or drop off time just a few minutes earlier or later can be helpful in avoiding the rush.

-a message was sent to senior students and their families, earlier today around a trend involving unsafe driving and water guns

-please note, in addition to the expectation to drive safely at all times, that **water guns are not permitted at school, or on school property**

Students driving unsafely may have their parking privileges revoked.

Thanks to each of you for your continued attention to keeping our school safe.

Mat Miller
Principal, WNSS