

Arrival and Departure Information

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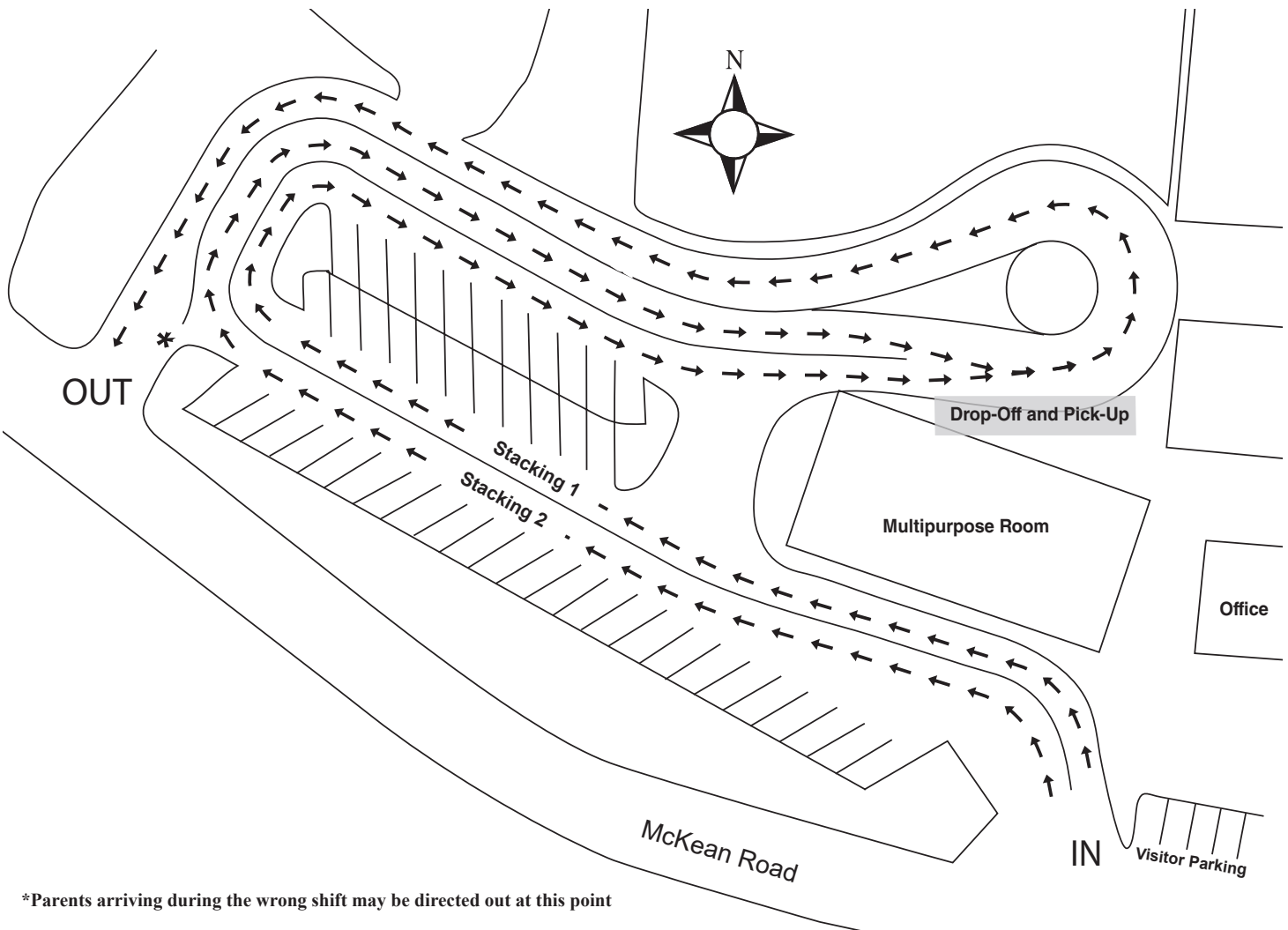
Drive-Through Convenience

Our arrival and departure routine allows you to drop off and pick up your child without leaving your vehicle. It's safer and faster than parking and walking into the school.

Please note your child's arrival and departure times on the adjacent chart so you can plan accordingly. If you have children in different arrival and departure times, arrive at the end of the earlier time to drop off and the beginning of the later time to pick up.

Please be patient the first week of school as parents new to Challenger learn the routine.

Drive-Through Arrival and Departure Times		
Program	Arrival	Departure
Grades 1–8	8:00–8:15	3:05–3:25
Kindergarten	8:15–8:30	3:20–3:30



*Parents arriving during the wrong shift may be directed out at this point

The entrance to the school is on McKean Road. Once in the driveway, pull forward as far as possible. Use both lanes so traffic does not back up onto McKean Road.

No parking is allowed in the yellow zone from 8 to 9 a.m. or from 3 to 3:45 p.m.

Please drive 5 miles per hour through the departure line in the interest of student safety. Please refrain from using cell phones while in line.

Our drive-through arrival and departure routines allow parents to safely and quickly drop off and pick up their child.

Using the drive-through process is required for all students arriving or departing during the published times on each campus's arrival and departure document. Parents are responsible for ensuring that all designated drivers follow procedures.

When the drive-through process is over/unavailable, parents must walk in to the campus to sign their child in or out. Be on time, as late arrival and early departure is disruptive to all students in the class.

Drive-Through Supplies

Preschool Sign-In/Sign-Out Stickers

Preschool students must be signed in and out. To facilitate the sign-in and sign-out process, Challenger provides stickers. Before arriving, parents should fill out all the information, except for the time. Upon arrival, parents fill in the time and hand the sticker to the teacher who helps the student in and out of the vehicle.

Visor Cards



Visor cards are required for the drive-through process. Only visor cards issued by Challenger may be used. Upon request, additional cards will be provided to parents. A visor card is not an official form of identification.

Drive-Through Process

1. Display the visor card at arrival, and keep it visible while on campus.
2. Pull up as far as possible, and put car in park.
3. Wait for a Challenger employee to open the door and load or unload the student.
4. Remain in line until the front car has pulled away. Do not pull around unless instructed to do so.

Drive-Through Safety

Anyone dropping off or picking up students must:

- stay in their car while in the drop-off/pick-up area.
- avoid using mobile electronic devices during arrival and departure.
- refrain from using controls to close doors, hatches, and trunks. Our staff will close these items when it is safe to do so.
- keep their on-campus speed limit under 5 mph.
- follow approved traffic patterns and avoid making U-turns on public streets.

While unloading and loading students, campus staff wearing safety vests will:

- assist in buckling or unbuckling students who need assistance. However, Challenger employees are not experts in all safety restraint systems, so it is the driver's responsibility to verify that all children are properly secured.
- load and unload students on the passenger side of the vehicle, when possible.
- restrict walk-in access during the drive-through process, when necessary.

Early Arrival or Late Pick-up

Do not drop off students early to wait unattended.

There is no before- or after-school playground supervision except for those enrolled in all-day programs or extended classtime.

Kindergarten through grade 8 students not enrolled in extended classtime who arrive before the scheduled arrival time or are picked up after the scheduled departure time will be placed in extended classtime, and parents will be charged the extended classtime daily rate. (See Program Offerings and Costs.)

A late pick-up fee will apply for half-day preschool students picked up after departure time and all-day preschool and extended classtime students picked up after 6 p.m. (See Billing and Payment Information.)

Additional Information

Parents should contact the campus office if:

- an all-day preschool or extended classtime student needs to be picked up using the departure routine.
- an authorized adult who is not on the pick-up list will be picking up a student. This person will be required to present photo identification.

Parking

Visitors should park only in the designated visitors' parking area when on campus. There is no parking in loading zones, driveways, or No Parking areas. Parking spaces reserved for the disabled are only available to those with a permit.

Third-Party Providers

Challenger will only release students to a third-party provider with proper authorization.