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Topic: TFS Update: Car Pool Info and video, first days of 20-21 information, and first days uniforms.

Dear TFS parents and faculty and staff:

Good evening! Hope you are all well and excited for the new year!

A description of the most recent car pool procedures, with arrival times, are found [here](#). Please make sure that all people in vehicles are masked on campus, unbuckled and close to a window for ease of screening, and prepared to be screened for fevers. Also, there is a video [here](#) that may help to explain where to go to pick up or drop off your students! (While riveting, it is sure not to get awards...Oscars are all politics!) Remember, after their first day here, please drop students off rather than walk them to the gate. This helps with our social distancing and cohort security. Of course, we have to live car pool a few times to really get the hang of it. Thanks for your patience! We will make changes to ensure the procedures are as efficient as possible; we know your time is valuable.

Remember that PE uniforms are allowed all this week to help make students comfortable as they get used to new procedures, masking, and less travel on campus. More information can be found in Tidbits tomorrow. Please let us know what will help your students have a successful start to the year. These first few days are all part of our effort to make the students at ease in their new surroundings and confident in how things are going to work this year. These work days have flown by as our teachers have been prepping rooms, opening boxes of textbooks, sorting materials, and spending hours on technology professional development. All this is somewhat “normal”, but add in changing buildings/rooms and storing a lot of our classroom furniture has made the days busy and short.

As we get ready for Meet and Greet tomorrow, and our youngest students’ arrival on Wednesday, each minute that passes causes anticipation to grow. We are, of course, concerned and anxious, as many of you are, but we are confident in our ability to provide a safe, healthy, and excellent educational experience for our students!

With much appreciation,

Michael Watson
Principal at The Franciscan School