From the Principal's Desk

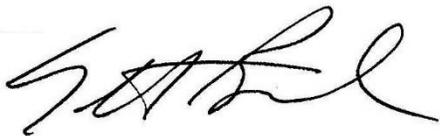November 29, 2016

Dear Flatirons' Families:

I want to highlight some important changes that have taken place in front of the school that affect the safety of our students, especially during drop-off and pick-up times. We now have seven buses that stop in front of the building before and after school. The bus lane that was created years ago does not accommodate that many buses. To try to keep our students safe, we are working with the district to make some important changes. These changes will affect families that drive their kids to and from school. Let me point out some of the important changes:

- The yellow curb – designates the area buses will use to drop-off and pick-up students. This zone has been expanded to the north and south of the existing bus zone. Please do not use this area to drop-off or pick-up students before or after school.
- New signage – we now have signs that state "No stopping . . . school days only . . . school bus loading zone" adjacent to the newly expanded yellow curb.
- Handicapped parking – we have a designated space just north of the front entrance for handicapped parking. We also have a space in our staff parking lot. Please do not park in these spaces without the proper identification.

These important changes will be a big adjustment for all of us. Please do your part when dropping off and picking up students by not using the "yellow curb" areas and by reminding others to do the same. Over the next few days, the district will have a presence here to help us with this transition.

Another area of concern is parent and student behaviors during drop off and pick up times. Here are some of the unsafe actions that are happening. **Students have not been using the crosswalk**. Students are being let out of vehicles in the street, students are crossing the street between buses, and crossing the street at the staff parking lot. Please help us keep our students safe, because ultimately their safety is our number one concern.

Sincerely,

Scott