

Arrival & Dismissal

As a charter school, ANCS is not eligible to participate in APS school bus service, therefore parents are responsible for arranging their students transportation to and from school. Many families participate in carpools, while many students walk, bike, or take public transportation to school.

Arrival/Dismissal/Parking Information for the Elementary Campus

Morning Arrival

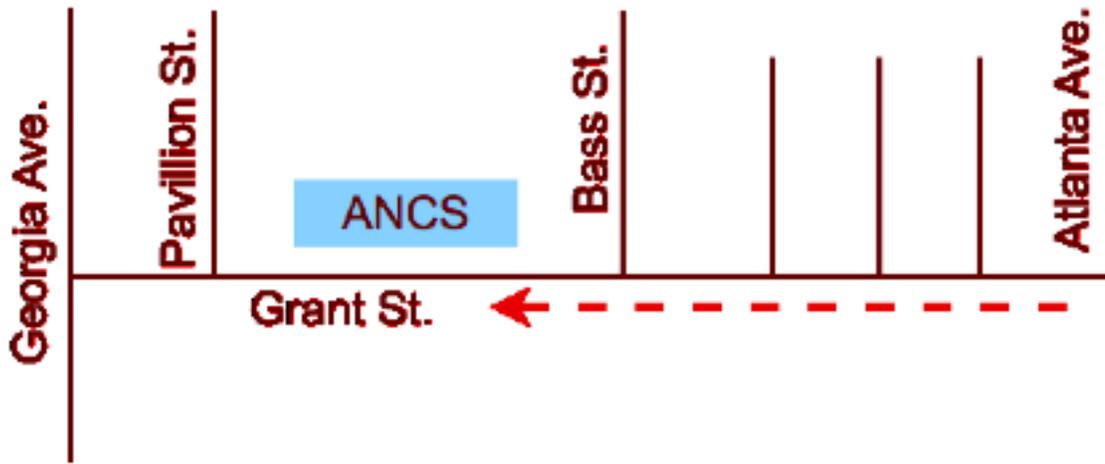
Students may arrive at the elementary campus no earlier than 7:30 am. The school is not responsible for students who are dropped off before 7:30 am. All students enter the building through the main entrance on Grant Street. A school staff member will be at the main entrance to greet students. Students may not enter through doors in the back or on the side of the school (i.e., the cafeteria doors or the double door that faces Pavilion Street).

The car drop-off line forms on Grant Street from the front entrance of the school south. Please have students exit the car at the curb on the right side of Grant Street – exiting the car on the left side is unsafe. Please only enter the Grant Street drop-off line from streets south of Bass Street. Entering the drop-off line from Pavilion Street causes confusion and creates unsafe conditions.

Afternoon Dismissal Expectations

For our children's safety, dismissal procedures are a priority. Please help us keep a safe environment by not parking on Pavilion Street on the north side of the school – after school program vans must use that area to pick up children. Parents coming to school to pick up their child will provide a school employee with their child's name and then wait on the front walkway until 3:00. At that time, children will be dismissed from the building to join their parent or caregiver in the front of the building. Parents are asked to keep younger siblings of students with them at all times and to follow the school's Guiding Principles while on school grounds. Teachers may be outside during dismissal, but we ask that you please hold teacher conferences at a time other than dismissal in order to ensure confidentiality and allow teachers to visit with other parents.

If your child is being picked up by car, please stay in your car in the pick-up line in front of the school. The line begins on Grant Street adjacent to the Media Center door and continues south. Please enter the carpool line south of Bass Street and not from Bass Street (see map below). This creates unsafe conditions and blocks other traffic. ANCS observes a "no idling" policy—please help us protect your children and the environment by participating in this program.



Dismissal Locations

Dismissal will occur from multiple locations within the school building.

Walkers will be met outside at the front of the school building.

Car riders will be sent to cars from the Media Center when called.

Van riders will be dismissed from the auditorium for the Pavillion Street entrance when called.

Dismissal Schedule

2:55 (1:25 on Wednesdays) – All students are escorted to their dismissal location. Car riders are escorted to the Media Center to wait for pick up. Students who are walkers, van riders, or in the ANCS after school or enrichment programs are escorted to the auditorium until dismissed.

3:00 (1:30 on Wednesdays) – Dismissal is announced

3:00-3:15 (1:30-1:45 on Wednesdays) – Van riders will be called to the Pavilion Street entrance as vans arrive.

3:15 (1:45 on Wednesdays) – Walkers and car riders who have not been picked up will be checked in to the ANCS after school program (daily after school charges will accrue).

Car Rider Numbers

If a parent/guardian plans to pick up a child by car at any time during the school year, a school car rider number must be obtained. Please display this number in your car window each time you pick up your child. If another authorized person is going to pick up your child, the school must be notified and the student's car rider number should be displayed. Failure to display a car rider number and/or to notify the school of a change in the person picking up your child will require drivers to park and enter the school to verify pick up. No child will be dismissed to a stranger or unauthorized individual.

Parents / guardians must notify the school office in writing or by telephone no later than 11:00 AM if dismissal arrangements are to be changed.