



Masterman Safe Streets

We are all safer and stronger when we work together.

Neighborhood friendliness – i.e., “Being a good neighbor”

Examples:

- Do not walk or run on our Masterman neighbors’ landscaping.
- Be courteous and friendly to our neighborhood businesses.
- Do not block the driveways of our surrounding neighbors.

Safety tips when commuting to & from school:

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- If possible, walk with a parent/guardian or friends.
- Make sure you know your home address and phone number.
- Cross streets at traffic lights, stop signs and on crosswalks: *stop, look left and right, cross.*
- Keep all valuables inside your school bag – with zipper or buttons closed.
- If wearing earbuds, keep volume low so you can be aware of (hear) your surroundings.
- Download the SEPTA Transit Watch app if you are using SEPTA transportation. It’s a quick and easy way to report a safety concern, medical emergency or suspicious activity. The appropriate personnel will respond and be dispatched to the situation.

Pick-up/Drop-off safety suggestions for vehicle transportation:

Examples:

- Refrain from parking on or blocking cross walks and bus stops.
- Do not wait for or pick up students in the designated school staff parking lot during dismissal.
- Park or pull-up one or more blocks away from our building – this helps to decrease dangerous double parking around the school building – which interferes with: Students safely crossing streets, traffic congestion, and blocking SEPTA bus routes and stops.
- Consider arriving to school after 3:25 for pick-up when most transit takers and walkers have left.
- When entering and exiting a vehicle; safely do so on the sidewalk facing side, always look behind before opening a door, gather belongings before arriving to reduce pausing time.

When a safety incident happens – what to do:

On your way to school or during school dismissal.

Examples:

- **Call 911** if there are injuries and medical assistance is needed.
- On SEPTA transportation: locate the Transit Police or use the Transit Watch app for assistance.
- A few blocks away from Masterman – on school days from 7:45 am–4:15 pm: Ring the bell at the door on 17th Street to come inside for assistance.
- More than 5 blocks away (and not on SEPTA transportation): Call 911.
- For questions and guidance: Call the school at 215-400-7580 during school hours or leave a message for the ‘Office of School Safety’ at 215-400-SAFE (7233).

Be a Super Ally – learn the 5 D’s of bystander intervention:

Educational short video series for parents and kids to learn about bystander intervention when kids witness racism or harassment: Direct, Distract, Delay, Delegate and Document

Watch the videos: <https://www.youtube.com/@iHollaback>