Parents and Guardians:

There is nothing more important to any of us at Muhlenberg Elementary Center and Muhlenberg School District than the safety of your child(ren). It is with this safety in mind that we have established and strictly enforce our dismissal procedures.

We hope that this brochure provides you with the clear information you need and perhaps some answers to questions you may have about our dismissal procedures.

If, however, you should ever have any further questions or suggestions about any of our procedures, please feel free to contact me or Mr. Moyer. We would be happy to hear your thoughts and suggestions.

Thank you,

Steve Baylor Principal



For the safety of your child, and all MEC children, valid photo ID must be shown at the office for the release of ALL students all of the time—No Exceptions.

Please remember that you must send a note to school with your child or contact the office via fax before 2:30 if your child is going home different than usual.

Teachers can not accept changes in transportation home via phone calls or emails.



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DISMISSAL PROCEDURES







Dismissal Procedures

Muhlenberg Elementary Center utilizes three primary procedures to dismiss students from school at the end of each day: (1) student walkers, (2) parent pick-up, and (3) bus students.

Student Walkers

PURPOSE—The purpose of having a designated student walker exit and procedure is for those students who live within walking distance of MEC and/or who's parents believe their child is mature, independent and responsible enough to walk home alone and give them permission to do so.

Students will exit the building closest to Sharp Avenue from the doors facing the parking lot. Please note, for the safety of all children, students who are designated as "walkers" are expected to

walk straight home and should not enter any vehicle before arriving safely home. Any parent wishing to pick their child up by vehicle should follow the MEC Parent Pick-up procedures.



IMPORTANT POINTS:

- Upon dismissal and exiting MEC, student walkers are expected to walk straight home
- Student walkers are not expected to get into any vehicles before arriving safely home

Parent Pick-Up

PURPOSE—The purpose of having a Parent Pick-up exit and strictly enforced procedures is for the safety of all students and the convenience of those parents who wish to pick their child up from school at the end of the day.

Parents who wish to pick their child(ren) up from school will enter the doors closest to the Muhlenberg
Community Library and facing Kutztown Road.



Parents MUST HAVE

the Parent Pick-up card that was provided to them by MEC that matches the Parent Pick-up card of their child. If the card is forgotten or not available, parents will be asked to pick their child up from the front office using photo identification. Please remember that a student will not be dismissed as a parent pick-up unless the parent has sent a note to the classroom teacher indicating that the child is going to be picked up.

IMPORTANT POINTS:

- Parent Pick-up cards are required to pick your child(ren) up from the Parent Pick-up exit
- Without a Parent Pick-up card, a child must be picked up from the main office with photo ID;
 Photo ID ensures that the adult picking the child up is on the MEC approved pick-up list.

Bus Students

PURPOSE—The purpose of having strict and enforced dismissal procedures for bus students is for the safe, orderly and expedient loading of school buses as they arrive to Muhlenberg Elementary Center.

Students riding home on a school bus are dismissed per the bus arrival times. When bus numbers are called via the public address system, all students



scheduled to ride that bus will move from either their classroom or bus room to the bus loading area at the cafeteria/gymnasium entrance. Arrival times to bus stops may vary due to many variables.

IMPORTANT POINTS:

- Bussing is a privilege not a right
- Student behavior on the bus and at the bus stop directly affects their safety and is therefore treated very seriously
- Students must sit in their assigned seat
- For more information, please see
 Muhlenberg School Board Policy 3.23,
 "Student Bus Code," that can found on the
 district web site: www.muhlsdk12.org

