



Safety is our primary concern at Garfield Elementary School. Starting on Monday, March 5th, we are going to implement a Hug and Go area at Garfield Elementary. This is similar to what Crull Elementary, Thomas Edison Elementary, and Keewahdin Elementary already have successfully implemented in their buildings.

Although we appreciate your desire to come into the building with your children, it does cause a safety concern. Parents are encouraged to say goodbye to their children before entering the school building, allowing all students to enter the main building doors for Wiggle Walk or the start of the school day on their own. Our staff will be stationed near the entrances to help students that may need assistance.

If you need to drop something off at school you are welcome to leave these items in the office, and we will call your child(ren) down to receive them. Any adult entering Garfield Elementary for any reason needs to sign into the office and put on a visitors sticker.

Teachers will be explaining and will continue to reinforce these procedures to all of our students. It is for the safety of all students and staff that we establish these procedures and we appreciate your understanding and support. It takes a partnership between home and school to ensure that all of our Gators are safe and successful. We appreciate this educational partnership with you!

**Go Garfield Gators!**



