## THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT SCHOOL ....

## Drop off and Pick up Area and Schedule

Parents drop off their children in front of the School Main Entrance. Upon their arrival students are greeted by their teachers and volunteered and directed to line up in the designated areas that are marked to help keep them safely apart from one another. In the event of inclement weather conditions, the same procedure takes place inside the building.

To ensure maximum safety and avoid overcrowding in the morning and at the end of the day the following schedule is in place:

- Grades 1 through three line up from 9:20 to 9:30 in the morning and be released at 12:20 PM.
- Grades 4 and higher line up from 9:35 to 9:40 and be released at 12:30.
- For the safety of students and staff there is NOT parents' gatherings inside the school unless scheduled and approved by ICEC.

Parents are welcomed to enter the building with a previously arranged appointment for inquiries or meetings.

If you arrive after the start of the classes, please ring the bell at the **All-Purpose Room Entrance.** Volunteers will open the door and accompany your children to their classes.

• Students may be picked up **only** by their parents unless a written

notification has been received by the school officials.

During the class time, no students are allowed outside the school unless for special projects, such as planting seeds, and with the written permission of the parents.

- If a student becomes sick during the school hours, parents will be contacted immediately. If the parents cannot be reached, the emergency number on file will be used.
- Teachers use on-going assessment to identify areas that need to be revisited, retaught and/or modified and record students' progress.
- Parents are encouraged to contact the ICEC officials, in person or via email at <u>info@iraneducationalcenter.org</u> any academic and non-academic concerns.
- ICEC follows Montgomery County public school rules & regulations.
- The cultural programs usually are held from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm.

School calendar and website (<u>http://iraneducationalcenter.org/</u>) or (<u>www.icecmd.org</u>) provide all the information about school closing (holidays, such as Thanksgiving, winter break, etc.) and special events.

In case of inclement weather conditions, please listen to the radio and TV stations for the cancellation of the weekend activities in the public school facilities. The announcements are usually made late Friday evening or early Saturday morning. You can also call ICB emergency number at (240)777-2710.

Permission slips are sent home with the students regarding special events, such as Mehregan and Yalda. Students who are interested in participating in these events should bring back to school the permission slips signed by their parents.

## **Extracurricular Events Mehregan, Yalda and Nowruz**

Circumstances permitting large gatherings without the fear of virus infection, Mehregan and Yalda celebrations will be held in the All-Purpose Room, from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm, and the Nowruz celebration in a middle or high school auditorium in March. Families will be informed via email about the relevant information and how to have their children sign up for selected performances. The interested students will practice for the Mehregan and Yalda celebrations a couple of weeks before the events. For the Nowruz celebration, in addition to class performances, parents may sign up their children on the registration day and first day of the classes for one of the following performances:

Young Iranien Performers (Play) (YIP) Persian Dance Troupe (Folklorique danses) (PDT) Young Iranien Musiciens (YIM) (Ensemble)