

Paint Rock Independent School District

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August 26, 2015

Dear Parent:

Starting in the afternoon of Thursday, August 27, 2015, we will be dropping off our students at Producer's Park where parents will pick them up and take them home.

We really appreciate your assistance as we have been forced to scramble to find a new afternoon drop-off point for our San Angelo students. We have located what I think is an outstanding location and I would like to thank Mr. Carl White (Director of Parks for the City of San Angelo), Mr. Dwain Morrison (Mayor of San Angelo), Mr. Dean McIntyre (President of First State Bank of Paint Rock), Mrs. Allison Tonne, our bus drivers, our students, and all of you parents who have been so understanding and flexible throughout all of this.

We needed a new location to drop off our San Angelo transfer students that is both safe for our students and convenient for their parents. We think Producer's Park will more than meet our needs and the City of San Angelo has approved us using the park for this purpose. Producer's Park is located just 1.2 miles from the San Angelo branch of the Paint Rock State Bank where you drop off your kids each day. It is located across Ricks Drive from Holiman Elementary and two blocks East of N. Bell just a few blocks North of the Houston Harte Expressway. I have placed a map on the back of this letter with instructions on how to get there from the Paint Rock State Bank on Smith and Pulliam.

We have been picking up our San Angelo students in the morning for over 25 years now at the First State Bank of Paint Rock and will continue to do so, but we were shocked to hear Monday afternoon (the first day of school) that Pizza Hut no longer wanted us or Veribest ISD to use their location on Pulliam as an afternoon drop-off point. Although Veribest ISD had only been using this location for a few years, Paint Rock ISD has been using this location with Pizza Hut's permission and encouragement since the 1980's. The new manager is concerned with the traffic congestion with both schools dropping off students at the same location within 30 minutes of one another. Veribest ISD will now be dropping off at another location other than Pizza Hut or Producer's Park, so that should cut down on any congestion that may have or may not have been taking place. We will also not have the congestion caused by Pizza Hut's normal operations at our new location. The Producer's Park parking area is also much larger which should make the experience even safer for our students.

Our afternoon busses leave here at 3:35pm and travel to San Angelo, where they will proceed down Pulliam, turn right on Smith, turn left on US-277 Frontage Road, turn right on North Schroeder Avenue, and then park in the Producer's Park parking lot. The two busses will then unload under the guidance of our two bus drivers/teachers. The kids will proceed to their parent's vehicles and depart. At least one of our drivers/teachers will stay with any remaining students until they have all been picked up. This is our standard practice and we are very safety minded. We ask that anyone who picks up our students be on the lookout for other students and vehicles in the area. From the time the busses pull up until the last student departs with a parent is normally about 10-15 minutes with most leaving within 5 minutes. Please be on time to pick up your children.

I am having our busses enter from the South side of the park in order to avoid any traffic problems at Holiman Elementary which is just Northeast of Producer's Park. Holiman students get out of school before our students even leave Paint Rock, but I'm taking this measure to ensure that there are no traffic congestion issues.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Ronald Lee Cline
Superintendent