

# Early Dismissal

**At Independence Charter each learning minute is precious.**

Therefore, the **ONLY** early dismissals that will be allowed are:

1. Visits to doctors/specialists that are documentable: this means that you can show proof of a completed visit should we ask for it.
2. Regular religious lessons: a letter should come from your church/synagogue/place of worship indicating sessions.
3. RARE family emergencies: we hope that you will not be faced with these events which may occur once or twice a year.

**WHAT DOES NOT QUALIFY** for Early Dismissal?

- "I had a meeting at the school and I finished early"
- "I got here early to avoid the rush during dismissal"
- "My job let me out early today"
- "This is the only music/karate/swimming lesson time I could get for my child"
- Etcetera

**Please be kind to the front office staff, they are following my directive!**

Please contact me if you want to discuss this.

**CEO Jurate**

# Dismissal Safety

**For the sake of student safety ICS is NOT ACCEPTING day-to-day changes in dismissals.** Our students go home as walkers, drivers, yellow bus, and afterschool students. You should have submitted a student dismissal sheet indicating regular dismissals.

**DAY-TO-DAY changes in dismissals compromise the safety of your child. ICS will not accept phone calls, walk-ins, or letters requesting DAY TO DAY changes in dismissal.**

We understand that this will cause you inconvenience, however, I am sure you will not disagree that your child's safety is more important.

- **If you have a change in dismissal that is DAY-to-DAY you must arrive outside of the school at the start of dismissal to pull your child out of the bus or after school lines.**
- **If you think this will happen more often, consider talking to the PTA to get ideas on carpooling or asking grade parents to help you out. Be sure to identify who you will designate as a pickup person.**
- **If your change becomes a regular change, please fill out a new dismissal schedule in the front office.**

**Thank you, CEO Jurate\***

**\*I realize that in the past we have allowed for some day-to-day changes, however, I have given a directive to the front office staff to comply with these rules. So please be nice to them.**