

WELCOME BACK ORIENTATION WEEK

Hello Desert Garden Family,

We hope you are doing well and preparing for your safe return to school! We cannot wait to see you. To prepare for a smooth first week of school, we have created a few fun events for you.

Welcome Back Parade (Drive-Through)

Come see your teachers before your first day of school! Join us for a drive-through parade to see your teachers and get familiar with our new parking lot traffic pattern. Teachers will be lined up all along the curbs with balloons, music, and enthusiasm to see each of **you!**

Infant, Toddler & Primary Families

Monday, August 10
7:00 am – 9:00 am

Lower Elementary, Upper Elementary & Middle Years / High School Families

Tuesday, August 11
7:00 am – 9:00 am

Please Bring:

- Your child's supplies. Supply lists are available on your child's classroom page on our website <https://www.desertgardenmontessori.org/parents/>
 - Place all supplies in one sealed, disposable bag (gallon-size Ziploc, tied trash bag, etc.).
 - Label the bag with your child's name and Classroom number.

Parking Lot:

- Please stay in your vehicle for the duration of your drive-through.
- To protect our staff, for anyone 10-years or older, please wear a mask in your vehicle when approaching curb.
- The traffic pattern in our parking lot has changed. For the drive-through, you will enter and exit the parking lot just as you will on the first day of school for drop-off and pick-up. Please see the map below.

DGM 2020 Drop Off/Pick Up Map

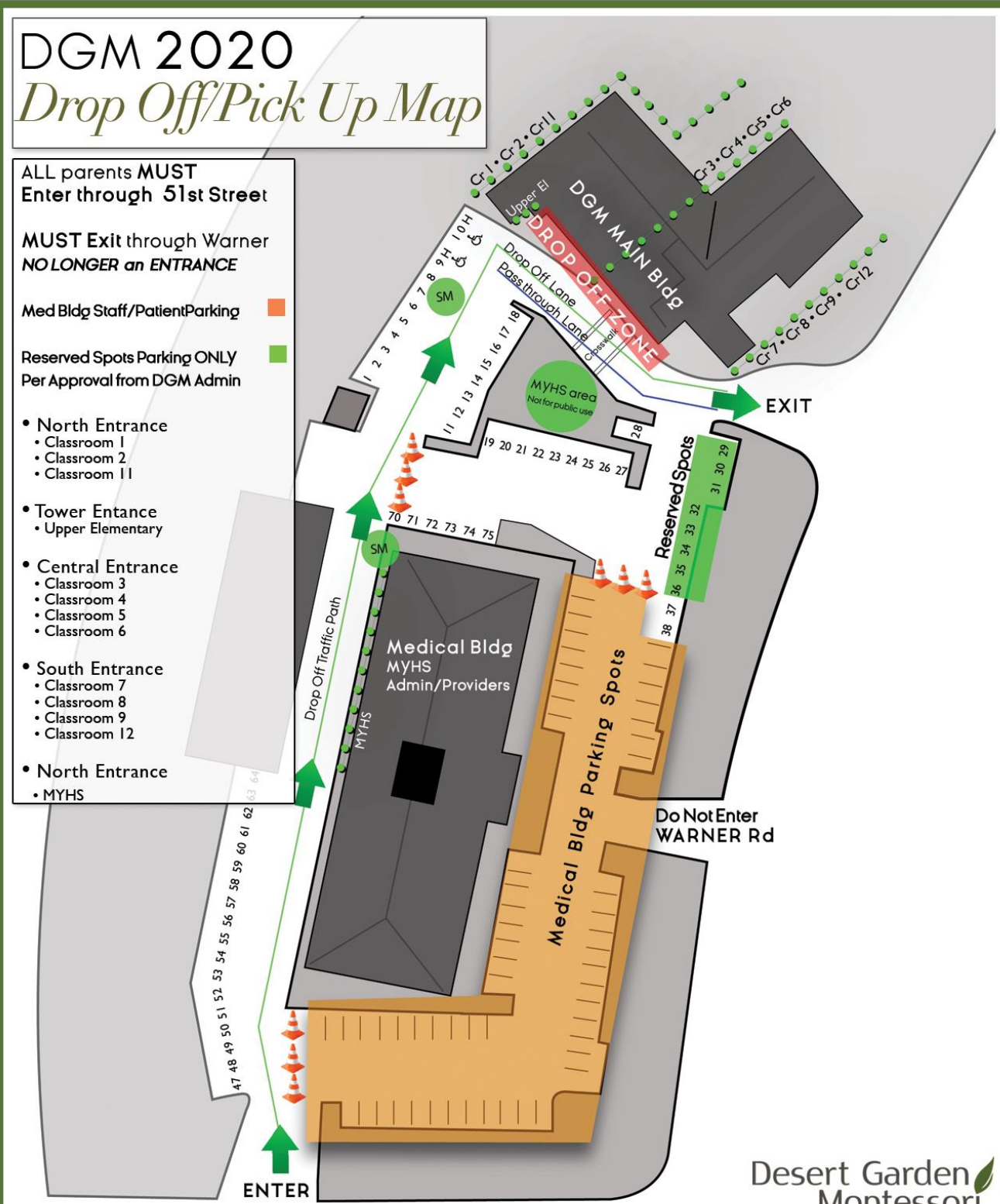
ALL parents **MUST**
Enter through **51st Street**

MUST Exit through Warner
NO LONGER an ENTRANCE

Med Bldg Staff/Patient Parking ■

Reserved Spots Parking **ONLY**
Per Approval from DGM Admin ■

- North Entrance
 - Classroom 1
 - Classroom 2
 - Classroom 11
- Tower Entrance
 - Upper Elementary
- Central Entrance
 - Classroom 3
 - Classroom 4
 - Classroom 5
 - Classroom 6
- South Entrance
 - Classroom 7
 - Classroom 8
 - Classroom 9
 - Classroom 12
- North Entrance
 - MYHS



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Parent-Student-Teacher Orientation & Virtual Tour

Join your classroom family (teachers, assistants, and CFAs for your classroom) for a virtual classroom tour! Your teacher will host a Zoom to answer any questions you may have, provide a tour of the classroom, and to say hello to all of the children.

Online AND in-person students and parents should attend this fun classroom Zoom!

[Click here to access your Classroom's Parent-Student-Teacher Orientation](#)

Parent-Student-Teacher Orientation ONLINE ONLY

Join your program's online learning coordinator to learn more about what to expect from your online learning experience. We will review details on how to prepare your home environment, what materials you may need, the rhythm of the daily schedule and more!

This meeting is especially for our ONLINE students and parents.

[Click here to access your Orientation Link for ONLINE Learning](#)

Classroom Community Connection

Monday, August 10th or Tuesday, August 11th

This one is especially for the students to meet with each other and with their teacher! Your teacher will host a Zoom to connect to your kiddos and facilitate conversation and connection among the classroom community.

Online AND in-person students should attend this fun classroom Zoom!

[Click here to access your Classroom Community Connection Zoom Link](#)

Parent-Administration Orientation

Thursday, August 13

Parents, this one is for you! In this orientation, Administration will be reviewing everything you need to know for the coming school year.

We have some new tools this year, so this is for both **NEW** and **CURRENT** families.

- Transparent Classroom
- Facebook

- Google Voice Text System
- Desert Garden Montessori's New Website
<https://www.desertgardenmontessori.org/>
- Weekly Take 2
- Coffee with the Director
- Zoom
- Swivl
- Google Classroom
- ManageBac (MYHS only)

[Click here to access your Parent-Administration Zoom Link](#)

We are so excited to see all of you. Do your best to attend your Welcome Back Orientation Week events, but if you miss one, please do not stress! We are here and available to help you. If you have any questions regarding **Welcome Back Orientation Week**, please email support@desertgardenmontessori.org

With great anticipation and enthusiasm,



Shetal Walters
Executive Director