

MONTGOMERY BELL ACADEMY

TRAFFIC AND PARKING PLAN

This plan document will serve as regular communication to faculty, staff, and students of Montgomery Bell Academy at the beginning of and throughout each school year. It is very important for everyone to obey the posted speed limits in the neighborhood surrounding the campus, and to utilize the following roads when traveling to and from campus. Montgomery Bell Avenue, Harding Pike, Woodlawn Drive, and Wilson Boulevard should be the primary roads used by the school community each day. Also, everyone will be encouraged to use the campus drive that connects Montgomery Bell Avenue and Wilson Boulevard in lieu of using Kimpalong Avenue. It is the goal of the Montgomery Bell Academy community to value the importance of “being a good neighbor” by practicing safe driving habits, and respecting the rights and property of others both on and off campus.

DAILY TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Faculty, Staff, and Student Parking

Faculty, Staff, and Students park in assigned spaces each day. At the beginning of each school year everyone requiring a parking space is issued an ID tag that is attached to the rear view mirror of his/her vehicle. During each school day campus parking lots are monitored by Faculty or Staff to ensure their vehicles are appropriately parked, that unauthorized visitors are not attempting to steal or break into any vehicle, and that all emergency drives are clear for their intended use.

Student Drop-Off and Pickup

Students that do not drive to school will be dropped off before school on the Montgomery Bell Avenue side of campus either by Currey Gymnasium or Massey Hall. Similarly, students will be picked up after school at the same locations. Signs and barricades are used each day to assist with traffic flow on Montgomery Bell Avenue. Students with special needs that begin or end their school day on the Wilson side of the campus must receive permission to use this area for drop-off or pickup.

Visitor Parking

Appropriately marked spaces are available for visitor parking near the Massey Building, Currey Gymnasium, the Wilson Parking Garage, and Lowry Building.

Meetings and Small Events

During a typical school day several meetings of the Mothers Club, Alumni groups, and other gatherings of individuals associated with MBA may occur. Should the number attending exceed the available visitor parking, special arrangements will be made by Maintenance Operations to accommodate those in attendance. Additional spaces may be reserved in the parking garage or surface lots in order to ensure adequate parking. Portable signs are used to direct visitors to reserved parking and to the meeting location. Additionally, Maintenance personnel assist in the parking lots when necessary. Should additional parking areas be required, the Vine Street Christian Church parking lot or the Harding Pike Athletic field will be used.

Campus Security

Surveillance Cameras are used to monitor activity in all parking areas. Also, MBA contracts with a private security firm for on-site security from 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM Monday through Friday and from 10:00 PM Friday evening to 6:00 AM Monday morning.

SPECIAL EVENTS TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Events that require all available campus parking to accommodate those attending create a demand for additional resources for the management of parking, traffic, security, and crowd control.

Police

Nashville Metropolitan Police officers considered “off duty” are hired to assist with the management of traffic, parking, crowd control, and overall security of the MBA campus. Officers are stationed at the entrances to the campus, entrances to the arena being used for the event, parking lots, and other strategic areas within the campus including the interior of certain buildings. The officers usually arrive approximately 90 minutes prior to the beginning of the event and remain until the majority of people in attendance have left the campus. (An example of the number of police used during a football game is 10 to 12).

Signs and Barricades

In order to prevent or limit parking and traffic on selected streets in close proximity to the MBA campus signs and barricades are put in place at least 3 hours prior to an event. Streets included are, Kimpalong Avenue, Montgomery Bell Avenue, Rolland Road and Brighton Road (East of Wilson).

Police and MBA personnel will patrol and monitor the streets where parking is not allowed and traffic is limited to “local only.”

Additional and Off-Campus Parking

If events create a demand for parking greater than the capacity of on-campus parking the school may use the athletic field fronting Harding Pike (weather permitting), Vine Street Christian Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, and the Dominican Campus.

Traffic Light Control

If approved by Metro Nashville, MBA will assign police to control the traffic lights located at the intersection of Wilson Boulevard and West End Avenue, in addition to the main entrance to the campus and Harding Pike at the conclusion of especially large events such as a football game. This allows for traffic to exit more quickly from the campus.

Emergency/Fire Lanes

All streets and drives that provide access to the interior of the MBA campus will remain clear at all times in case emergency vehicles are needed.

Evaluation and Monitoring

MBA conducts an on-going program that monitors the activity and effectiveness of the plan described herein in an effort to ensure the most effective and safest policies. As a result, the School may from time to time, modify this plan.

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