



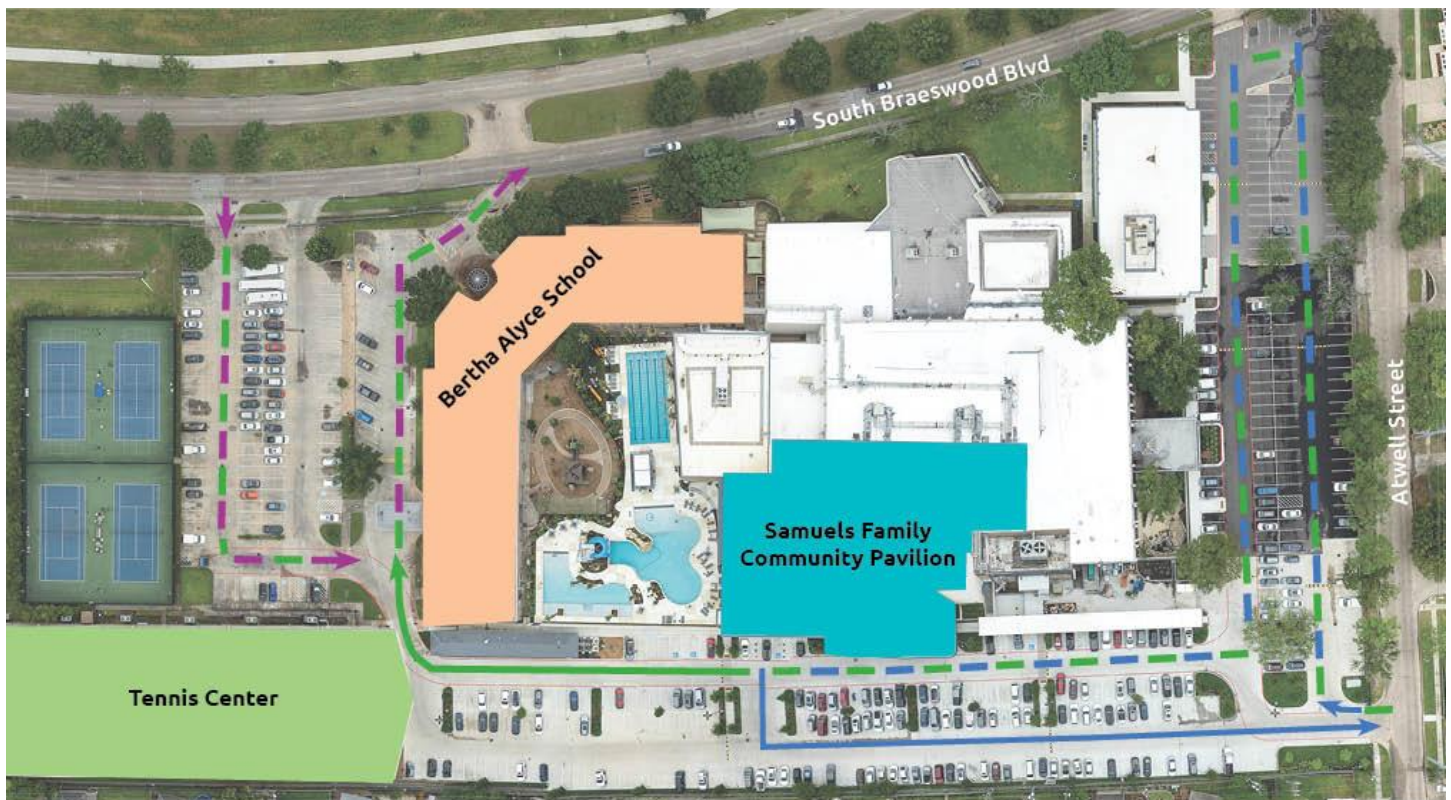
Parent Information Series #4 – Transportation and Carpool

Carpool tags will be mailed on or before **May 5, 2025**. If your family enrolls after May 5, please come to the J to pick up your tags at the front desk. When entering the carpool line, please ensure your tag is hanging from your rearview mirror. Any car without a carpool tag will be required to park, walk up to the walk-up table, and show identification for pickup. **No exceptions.**

Morning Dropoff Options

The morning carpool for all camps is 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM. Parents may use the carpool line or park and walk into the J for camper drop-off.

Main J Campus



J Camps ONLY
J Camps & Camp Bami
Camp Bami*

*NEW THIS YEAR! Cars with a combination of Camp Bami and older campers (except Kaleidoscope) may choose the **purple path** and enter the gate on Braeswood to drop off all campers at Bertha Alyce. A staff member will then escort older campers to their respective

Car Drop-Off:

- **Bami Only Campers:**

Cars should enter and exit through the gate on Braeswood and follow the **PURPLE path** on the map.

- **Bami + Older Campers (excluding Kaleidoscope):**

- Option 1: Cars may enter the Braeswood gate, follow the **PURPLE path**, and drop off all campers at **Bertha Alyce**. A staff member will escort the older campers to their respective camps.
- Option 2: Cars may enter through the Atwell gate, follow the **BLUE path**, and stop at the **Samuels Family Community Pavilion** to drop off older campers, then merge onto the **GREEN path** to drop off Bami campers.
- **Note:** Bami campers **cannot** be dropped off at the Samuels Family Community Pavilion.

- **Kaleidoscope Campers:**

- All Kaleidoscope campers who are bussed to Merfish must be dropped off by **8:50 AM** using the **BLUE path**.
- If the car also has Bami campers, merge into the **GREEN path** to drop them off at **Bertha Alyce** and exit through the Braeswood gate.

Walk-In Drop-Off:

- If you wish to walk your child inside, you may park along the fence next to the **Samuels Family Community Pavilion**.
- Parents/guardians must have Brivo credentials to enter the building.
- Once inside, walk your camper to the auditorium, where a J Camps staff member will accompany them to their group.

Camp Kaleidoscope/Merfish Drop-Off:

- Cars will follow the **BLUE path**, entering through the **north gate** and pulling up to the porte-cochère in front of the building.
- Cars will exit through the **south gate** and turn right onto **S. Rice**.

NEW! Pedestrian Crosswalk

As part of our ongoing commitment to safety and accessibility, the J has added a new pedestrian crosswalk at Atwell and Queensloch. This includes ramps on both sides of the street and a pedestrian gate to make crossing easier and safer for all. We kindly ask that you remain alert and use caution near this area and in our parking lots as well, as pedestrians and children may be crossing.

Want to avoid sitting in the carpool line? Consider parking in the neighborhood and using the pedestrian crosswalk for drop-off or pickup!

Please note that the pedestrian gate operates with normal business hours.



Afternoon Pickup Options

Afternoon carpool starts at 3:30 PM. All parents/guardians picking up children must have their carpool tag hanging from the rear-view mirror. If you do not have a carpool tag, you will be asked to show a valid picture ID.

Main J Campus

- Cars with **Bami-only** campers should enter and exit through the gate at **Braeswood**. Please refer to the **PURPLE** path on the map.
- Cars with a **combination of Bami and older campers** should enter the gate on **Braeswood**, stop at the **Samuels Family Community Pavilion** for their first pickup, then merge with the **GREEN** line to continue on to **Bertha Alyce** for Bami campers.
- All other cars should enter the gate on **Atwell** and pick up in front of the **Samuels Family Community Pavilion**. Please refer to the **BLUE** path on the map.
- All parents/guardians picking up children must have their carpool tag hanging from the rear-view mirror. If you do not have a carpool tag, you will be asked to park, walk to the walk-up table, and present a valid picture ID.

Walk-Up Pickup

- Cars should enter the Atwell gate and park against the fence that runs parallel to the Samuels Family Community Pavilion.
- There will be a sign-out table in front of the entrance near the handicap ramp.
- Parents must show their carpool tag and wait in line on the ramp until their camper is brought out.
- Please DO NOT go inside the J for walk-up pickup, as this creates congestion, and we need to leave the lobby clear and open for non-camp members and guests.

Early Pickup

- Early pickup at the Main J must happen by **3:00 PM**. No exceptions.
- After 3:00 PM, all campers must be picked up in the carpool line or parents can join the walk-up line just outside the entrance of the building.
- Please do not wait for your camper in the lobby, as this disrupts the flow of carpool staging and the counselors walking campers to carpool do not have a way to check your carpool tag.

Camp Kaleidoscope/Merfish

- Afternoon carpool starts at 3:30 PM.
- All parents/guardians picking up children must have their carpool tag hanging on their rear-view mirror. If you do not have a carpool tag, you will be asked to park and present a valid picture ID.
- Early pick up at the Merfish must happen by 2:15 PM daily.
- Parents may park and walk up to the front door to get their child.

West Houston Bus

Mornings:

- The West Houston (WH) bus is available to transport campers to/from West Houston.
- The bus will load from the Ellen Boniuk School located at 1120 Dairy Ashford Rd, Houston, TX 77079.
- The bus will depart at 8:00 AM sharp.
- Please call Rene Kariel at 281-556-5567 if your plans change and your child will not be riding the WH bus in the morning or afternoon.
- The bus will stop at the Samuels Family Community Pavilion and the Merfish, and campers will be escorted to their camp groups.

Afternoons:

- The bus will pick up campers from the Merfish and the Samuels Family Community Pavilion and should arrive at the Ellen Boniuk School around 4:15 PM.
- We will communicate if there is a traffic delay.

AM Care

- AM Care is available 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM at the Samuels Family Community Pavilion for all campers including Kaleidoscope.
- Parents must park and walk their children into the building for AM Care.
- A J staff member will meet them in the lobby and counselors will escort them to their camp rooms.

AM care for Bami will be at Bertha Alyce.

PM Care

- PM Care is available from **4:00 PM - 5:30 PM**.
- All PM Care activities, including Kaleidoscope, will take place at the Main J.
- Campers at the Merfish who are enrolled in PM Care will be transported by bus to the Samuels Family Community Pavilion, where they will be escorted to their PM Care rooms.
- Only campers enrolled in PM Care will be bussed from the Merfish.
- PM Care campers will be downstairs and available for carpool pickup from **5:15 PM - 5:30 PM**.
- Parents must park and walk in for pickup before **5:15 PM**.
- Parents must present their carpool tag to the J staff member at the table just inside the lobby. Campers will then be escorted down for pickup.

Bami PM Care will be at Bertha Alyce.