

Social Story™

Fall 2023 Company Classes at Templeton Academy with Nashville Children's Theatre

This is Nashville Children's Theatre's Social Story for Fall 2023 Company Classes taking place at Templeton Academy, right across the street from NCT. A Social Story is a tool to help improve a child's understanding of expectations during an unfamiliar event and were originally designed to support neurodivergent students. However, this can be a useful tool for any student who is unsure about what to expect from a new experience. We are sharing this resource to make NCT classes inclusive for ALL students. **This specific Social Story will also help prepare adults for Drop Off/Pick Up traffic and procedures.**



Happy first day of Company class at Templeton Academy! When you arrive, you will pull up to the car line behind the school. Please stay in your car - an NCT staff member will get your young person checked into class.

Your young person will gather their belongings for the day, exit my car with an NCT staff member and walk into the building. There may be other people here for camp, too!

This is where cars will enter the parking lot for Drop Off and Pick Up at Templeton Academy. Enter from 3rd Ave., right at the corner of 3rd Ave. and Elm St.



Because Drop Off and Pick Up can sometimes mean lots of cars in line at once, Templeton Academy has a very specific traffic route that NCT will be following for our Company classes! To ensure everyone enters the correct way, please use the following route as your entrance:

***Note: We are not allowed to block Elm St. or Ash St. with vehicles, so please use the route below!**



- **Coming from I-40, turn LEFT onto Lindsley Ave. from 2nd Ave.**
- **Continue on Lindsley Ave. as it turns into 3rd Ave.**
- **At the intersection of 3rd Ave. & Elm St., go through the 4-way stop and make an immediate RIGHT into the Templeton Academy parking lot.**



Once you've entered the parking lot, you'll see NCT signage and an NCT staff member to help get your young person all signed in for class! Please wait in your vehicle until an NCT staff member lets your young person know it's safe to exit and head inside.



Vehicles will follow the car line (represented by the purple arrows in the photo) for Drop Off ONLY!

After Dropping Off your young person, an NCT staff member will instruct you to continue through the car line and exit through the alley beside Templeton Academy.

To help us maintain quick and efficient Drop Off procedures, please follow the car line (represented by the purple arrows in the photo) and exit through the alley.

***Note: The parking lot at Templeton Academy is a PAY LOT during the weekend, so we ask you please don't park during classes. NCT is not responsible for any parking tickets.**



NEW PICK-UP PROCESS: When you enter the lot from 3rd Ave, you will see up to 4 car lanes. Choose the shortest line. They will be marked. Once the first 4 cars have been loaded, the cars will dismiss down the alley way (like for drop off) and the next 4 cars will pull forward. Please try your best not to block the entrance so other cars can enter a lane.



Drop Off/Pick Up Map

Car Line Directions:

1. From 2nd Ave., turn left on Lindsley Ave. (*The city requires that we do not turn left on Elm, which backs traffic up down 2nd Ave.*)
2. From Lindsley, turn right on 3rd Ave., then follow 3rd across Elm.
3. Turn right into the school parking lot, pulling in front of the building to drop off/pick up your young person.
4. Exit to the alley by the Fire Station, turn left.
5. From the alley, turn right on 3rd Ave. (*Please do not turn left onto 3rd. This creates problematic congestion at the Elm/3rd intersection.*)

