



Safe Driving: *DOs and DON'Ts*

The first day of school is right around the corner! To make sure our children get to school safe and sound, follow these **DO's** and **DON'Ts** for safe driving around schools.

SCHOOL BUSES:

- **DON'T** pass a stopped school bus traveling in the same direction – it's against the law *and* you can have your license suspended.
- **DON'T** pass a school bus if there is a painted median. Regardless of which way you are traveling, painted lines or pavement markings are not considered barriers.
- **DO** slow down and prepare to stop when a bus's lights flash yellow.
- **DO** be alert when passing a school bus traveling in the opposite direction — it's legal if there is a physical and raised median *or* an unpaved median wider than 5 feet.

CROSSWALKS:

- **DON'T** speed through a designated crossing area.
- **DON'T** stop in the crosswalk when stopped by a crossing guard.
- **DO** obey all crossing guard signals.
- **DO** be on high alert for children when you see a crossing guard *or* school crossing sign.

SCHOOL ZONES:

- **DON'T** go over 20 miles per hour in an active school zone. The fine is doubled for moving violations at that speed.
- **DON'T** change lanes, pass other cars, or make a u-turn in an active school zone, while not illegal, it's safer to remain in your lane.
- **DO** observe the speed limit in an active school zone — 30 minutes before *and* after school each day.
- **DO** pay consistent attention to your surrounding area. Driving distractedly can have serious consequences.

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