ROAD SAFETY TIPS FOR DRIVERS

School zones and road routes to schools are busy places in the mornings and afternoons. With increased traffic comes a need for extra attention from parents and caregivers, along with all drivers in the community. Here are some tips to help make everyone safe.



FOLLOW SCHOOL ZONE RULES.

A 30km/h speed limit is in effect in school zones from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. when school's in session and in playground areas from dawn until dusk, unless otherwise posted.



KNOW THE LAW.

Always yield to pedestrians and stop for school buses. When the school bus isn't moving and the stop sign is out and flashing, traffic has to stop in both directions.



REDUCE CONGESTION.

Consider walking, cycling with your child or parking a few blocks away and walking your child the rest of the way to school.



EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED.

Look out for safety risks such as kids darting from cars, along with kids who are cycling and other pedestrians.



BE PATIENT AND COURTEOUS.

No matter what's going on around you, be patient and courteous. Reacting with extreme frustration may aggravate the situation and increase the risk of unsafe behaviours.

*Road safety tips by ICBC. and BCAA



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