

# Back to School & Road Safety

As summer winds down, it's important to refocus on road safety—especially with students returning to school.



#### **Watch for Children**

- Be alert in school zones, residential areas, and near bus stops.
- Kids can be unpredictable—expect the unexpected.



## **Slow Down**

- Speed limits drop in school zones—often to 30 km/h during designated hours.
- Obey posted limits and be extra cautious during morning and afternoon bell times.



## **Stop for School Buses**

- When red lights are flashing and the stop arm is out, vehicles must stop in both directions.
- Failing to stop can lead to fines, demerit points, and serious injuries.



### **Avoid Distracted Driving**

- No texting, eating, or adjusting the GPS when driving, especially in school zones.
- Even a brief distraction can have lasting consequences.



#### **Watch for Crossing Guards**

- Always follow their signals and be prepared to stop.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for a crossing guard or pedestrian.



**Pedestrian & Cyclist Awareness** 

- Yield to pedestrians at crosswalks.
- Check blind spots for children on bikes or scooters.