



SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY

School started on August 22 for thousands of Thompson School District children. During the start and end of the school day, there is usually heavy traffic in the vicinity of schools. Keep in mind, young children are vulnerable pedestrians and bicyclists with limited sight distance as well as experience using the roads.

Many of the District's school zones have flashing amber lights during certain morning and afternoon times. During times when the amber lights are flashing, the speed limit is **20 mph** and fines double. The City will not pay your fine. City of Loveland Officers patrol these areas and will issue a citation to anyone violating the speed limit. In addition to fines doubling, nothing could be worse than being involved in an accident with a child.

Tips for Driving in School Zones



Slow down and drive more carefully when you are in a school zone.



Be extra vigilant to watch out for children crossing the road as they may be easily blocked from your view due to their height.



Be patient when you encounter heavy traffic at school zones during peak hours. If you are rushed for time, take other routes if you can.