

Drive Carefully, Kids in School

Public Safety Commissioned Richard Burton recently issued the following back-to-school safe driving reminders for Alaskan motorists.

With the opening of school, more children will be moving near and along our roadways, as well as in or near school bus loading and unloading areas.

Please exercise extreme driving caution during this time. Do not assume a child will know to stay out of the road. Remember that the maximum speed within school zones is 20 miles per hour.

If a school bus with its lights flashing is loading or unloading children, **STOP AND REMAIN STOPPED** until the bus starts moving again. This regulation applies to drivers following a school bus as well as to those meeting the bus in the opposite lane.

"Alaska State Troopers will be stringently enforcing driving regulations during this back-to-school period and will be using radar to check speeds within school zones," Commissioner Burton said.