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The new 2019-20 School year is quickly approaching. The Newark Police Department would like to take this opportunity to remind residents and visitors of how important Stopped School Bus, School Zone Speed, and Distracted Driving Awareness is when it comes to protecting our children.

With the new school year beginning Thursday, September 5, The Newark Police Department will be patrolling school areas to enforce the laws regarding Stopped School Buses, Speeding in the School Zones, and Distracted Driving. It is important to remember that all drivers are required to stop for a stopped school bus that is flashing its lights and/or has Stop sign extended. All drivers must stop for a stopped school bus on any street, parking lot, or roadway., regardless of which side of the street a vehicle is traveling. Violators are subject to \$250-\$400 fine and adding five points on a driver's license for the first offence, according to the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. Motorists cannot proceed until the bus driver resumes traveling and flashing lights are turned off.

The School Speeding Zones of:

Perkins School West Maple Avenue
Lincoln School West Maple Avenue
Kelley School West Miller Street

Roosevelt Children's Center Peirson Avenue

The Newark Police Department will be closely monitoring these zones and strictly enforcing these laws.

Please do it for the kids. Put your phones away and don't TEXT or check emails while operating vehicle. Your chances of a motor vehicle accident increases 23 times.

Please remember that our children are our most precious asset, and we must do everything to protect them.

Have A Happy and Safe School Year

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