

## **NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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The new 2022-23 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 Tuesday, September 6, 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 has its lights flashing and/or has its 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. Motorists cannot proceed until the bus driver resumes traveling and flashing lights are turned off. In accordance to New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, violators are subject to a \$250-\$400 fine and/or 30 days in jail as well as the addition of five points on a driver's license for the first offence.

The School Speeding Zones are:

Perkins School West Maple Avenue Lincoln School North Main Street 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. In addition, the Kelley School is a challenging and busy school zone, it has two crossing guards assigned there, one at West Miller and Lillie Street and the other at West Miller and Scott Street. During student drop off and pick up times, these crossing guards detour the traffic off West Miller Street at Lillie Street and Scott Street for safety reasons.

Your chance of causing an accident increases twenty-three times if you are driving while distracted. Put your phones away and don't TEXT or check emails while operating a motor vehicle.

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.

Village of Newark Police Department