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4 Tips for School Safety

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Be mindful when you approach school zones. Traffic around school zones can get hectic, especially in the mornings and afternoons. There's a mix of parents dropping off their kids for school and people simply trying to get to work. Take your time, obey the speed limit and the flashing lights, and be patient!

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Do not block traffic. If you are dropping kids off or picking them up, always drive out of the primary flow of traffic. Utilize drop-off zones and parking lots. The more you can do to ease congestion, the better it is for everyone!

Keep pedestrian crosswalks clear. Keep an eye out for kids who want to cross to get to school. In high-traffic areas, kids can feel intimidated by the traffic and hesitate to cross the street, even with flashing lights or a crossing guard present. The more you can do to make their day easier, the better!

Obey the bus. When you're following a bus or coming toward one and the lights start flashing, stop. It may seem obvious, but there are drivers out there who don't. Following the rules of the road can mean everything for the children going to school in the morning and going home in the afternoon.

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