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Upcoming Events

May 21

Victoria Day – No School

June 27

Last Day of Classes (NWSD)

June 28

Last ½ Day of Classes &
Report Cards (LCSD)

Last Day of Classes (LPSD)

**ALWAYS exercise
caution when
approaching a school
bus.**

**THEY TRANSPORT
PRECIOUS CARGO!!**

Go to:

www.sgi.sk.ca/school-zones
for more School
Bus Safety Information!

Driver of the Month

Waterhen Evacuation

As you may know, the NWSD was asked by the Emergency Evacuation Crew to evacuate Waterhen First Nation on Tuesday, May 15th. What you may not know, is that we sent out a request for drivers, and within minutes we had such a huge and quick response of drivers calling us, that it shut down our phone lines! We have amazing drivers!! We are so proud to work with such great people!

We ended up sending 10 drivers to Waterhen, and everyone got delivered safe and sound!



Be Ready for your Bus!

Remember, that your bus driver has to deliver students to and from school in a timely manner. Please have your children ready, at their stops, at least 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.

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Bus Registration Information

Bus Registrations

If your child requires a bus for the 2018 – 2019 school year, and you haven't submitted a bus request yet, please do so!

A Bus Registration Form must be completed for every student who rides a bus. You can find this form on our website – www.nwsd.ca. This form can be printed off and mailed or emailed back to us.

FYI

The walking radius for Meadow Lake Schools are:

Jubilee 600m

Lakeview 600m

Gateway 1km

Jonas Samson 1km

You can find a map on our website.

*We do not bus in town students to Carpenter.

School Zones

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Pedestrian safety is an essential part of a community's well being and nowhere is this more important than in a school zone. As a driver, it is your responsibility to ensure that children are protected from harm as they go to and from school.

Here are some simple tips you can use to help keep kids safe.

Slow Down

- Most school zones have reduced speed limits, marked by reflective fluorescent signs. The limit varies between communities but the concept remains the same: reducing your speed allows you more time to react and brake in the event of an emergency.
- In 2016 in Saskatchewan eight people were injured in school zone collisions. When it comes to children and vehicles, there is little margin for error. The difference between a near miss and a tragedy can be a matter of seconds.
- The fine for speeding in school zones starts at \$170 and goes up from there depending on your speed. You'll also be penalized 3 demerit points by SGI under the Safe Driver Recognition program, meaning you'll lose some of your discount or pay a financial penalty.

Be Alert

- During drop-off times school zones can become extremely congested and it may be difficult to identify hazards. Pay special attention to kids waiting to cross the street. Young children tend to think vehicles can stop instantly and may begin crossing before it is safe to do so.
- Be especially wary of kids darting between parked cars. Children are obviously much shorter than adult pedestrians, and though they may see you, they don't realize that you may not see them.

Use good judgment when stopping or parking

Parking is strictly prohibited in No Parking and No Stopping zones near schools. Keeping these areas free of vehicles is the best way to maintain visibility for other motorists.

When dropping your child off at school, remember not to stop in the middle of the road. Waiting drivers may become impatient and attempt unsafe maneuvers to pass, putting you and your child directly in harm's way.

It is also unsafe to let your child off near a crosswalk since they will need to cross in front of your vehicle to use it. Passing drivers won't immediately be able to see your child, which increases the risk of a serious collision.

Regardless of where you drop off your child, try to have them exit the vehicle on the curb side, preferably on the same side of the street as the school. This will minimize their danger of being struck by passing vehicles.