

NEWS RELEASE



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The Garden City Police Department would like to bring to your attention the upcoming commencement of the 25/26 school year and the need to make our roads safer for students starting or returning to school. As we approach the beginning of the academic year, it is crucial to remind drivers to be extra mindful of back-to-school safety measures. With this in mind, the Garden City Police Department will be conducting increased traffic enforcement details to help promote safe driving practices.

During this initiative, Officers will conduct traffic enforcement throughout the Village, concentrating on the vicinity of school zones, bus stop locations, and routes often utilized by student walkers. Overtime for this initiative is subsidized by STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program) grants.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in 2022, 104 people died in school transportation-related crashes. We urge parents and guardians to engage in discussions with their children about traffic safety, emphasizing the importance of observing traffic rules, using designated crosswalks, being aware of vehicle traffic around them, and being cautious around school buses. It is our collective responsibility to create a safe environment for our students as they commute to and from school.

Commissioner Jackson states, "We appreciate your cooperation and support in spreading awareness about back-to-school safety within our community."