



# Road Safety – It Takes a Community

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Falling leaves and cooler nights can only mean one thing: It's back to school time. That's right, across the province, parents are cheering and kids are groaning as they make the move back into the school routine.

So dust off those driving skills and review these important back to school tips (and pay attention class – there may be a quiz on this):

## Tips for Drivers:

There will be more traffic on the roads and busier busses come the start of school in September. Give yourself some extra time for your commute just in case.

Slow down and pay extra attention in school zones. Even though kids may dread going back to school – most of them are over the moon to see their friends again, so much so that they may forget the rules of the road. Be their extra eyes and ears out there. Thanks.

## Tips for Parents:

Review the rules of the road with your children (as pedestrians and cyclists). Map out your child's walking (or cycling) route to school ahead of time, so they know exactly where to go on their first day.

## Tips for Kids:

Keep your eyes and ears open! This means no headphones or devices while you are walking to or from school. Watch where you are going and listen for traffic.

Don't assume that cars will stop for you. Make eye contact with drivers BEFORE you step into the intersection. Pay attention the entire time you use the crosswalk. Thanks.