#### **Traffic Fines**

Law Enforcement agencies within Volusia County and the Volusia County School Board remind all drivers and pedestrians that they can be cited for failure to obey Florida law.

**Violations**Failed to yield to pedestrian

Traffic Fines
\$166.00

Failed to obey Traffic Control Device \$166.00 (i.e. stop sign, No Parking sign, etc.)

Parking on a sidewalk \$166.00

Impeding normal movement of traffic \$166.00

Pedestrian obstructing traffic

Under age 14 \$ 64.50 Over age of 15 \$116.00

Pedestrian failed to obey traffic

control devices - Under age 14 \$ 64.50 Over the age of 15 \$116.00

No bicycle helmet (for 16 and under) \$ 64.50

Speeding in a School Zone

10 MPH over \$306.00

Fines are subject to change as required by Florida law.

## Working Together, We Can Keep Our Students Safe

## Safety Tips for Pedestrian/ Bicycle/ Bus Riders



## NO SPEEDING IN SCHOOL ZONES



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# SAFETY TIPS



#### **Bus Riders**

- Always stay away from the 10 foot "danger zone" around the bus, except when you are directed by the driver to get on or off the bus.
- NEVER pick up an object that you drop under or near the bus. Ask the driver for help.
- Always be sure the driver can see you.
- Make sure clothing and backpacks have no loose drawstrings or long straps that could catch in the handrail or bus door.
- When you see the bus coming, stand at the stop and wait for the bus to come to a complete stop.
- Always wait for the driver to signal that it is safe to cross the road and/or load into the bus.
- When crossing a traffic lane, always look left, right, then left again; cross only if approaching traffic has stopped.
- Never walk behind the bus or along the side of the bus.
- Only board your assigned bus, unless other arrangements are approved by your school.

#### By the Numbers

Distractions, by either the driver of the vehicle or the students, were the leading cause in all accidents during the 2013-14 school year. There were a total of 13 accidents involving students and vehicles that resulted in 13 students being injured.

### Walkers

- Wear bright-colored clothes or wear reflective gear in low light or if it is dark.
- If listening to music, only wear one headphone or earbud.
- Don't talk or text on your cell phone.
- Children under 10 years old should cross the street only with an adult.
- Walk on the sidewalk if there is one.
- Walk facing the traffic, as far from the road/traffic as possible, if no sidewalk is available.
- Use traffic signals and marked crosswalks if available.
- Look for traffic at every driveway and intersection.
- Stop at the curb or edge of the road and look left, right and left for traffic before crossing the street.
- Give drivers time to see you before crossing the street.
- Keep looking for cars while you are crossing.
- Walk: don't run.
- Obey all traffic signs and signals.



#### **Bikers**

- Always helmet that is properly fitted.
- Bike with a friend whenever possible.
- Always obey all traffic signs and signals.
- Ride on the right side of the road or trail in a single file (one bicycle behind another).
- Ride in the same direction as other vehicles.
- Go straight across railroad tracks.
- Always use proper hand signals when turning and stopping.
- Yield to pedestrians and alert them with a bicycle bell or your voice when passing.
- Remember, bicycles are vehicles and riders

### Parent Drop-Off/Pick-Up

pick-up and drop-off procedures to keep all children safe. Do not pick-up or drop-off your child on the street in front of the school. Take the time to drive through the parent loop. Stay focused on the task at hand, driving your vehicle, and watch out for other children. Drivers must:

If you decide to transport your child to and from school, follow the established parent

- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. This means stopping when necessary to let a pedestrian cross.
- Drivers may not pass other drivers stopped at a crosswalk.
- Drivers must yield even if there are no pavement markings at the crossing.
- 9 students were riding bikes; 3 were walking
- 7 accidents in west Volusia: 6 in east Volusia
- 8 of the 13 students (61%) were in middle or high school with 4 in the 8th grade
- 9 of the 13 students (69%) were between 12 and 14 years old

- 4 accidents (31%) occurred on Mondays with 2 in the morning and 2 in the afternoon
- 1 of the 13 students (7%) were eligible for transportation