Safety around **school buses**

- There is a 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus that is picking up or setting down school children.

- This speed limit is for all traffic travelling in the same direction as the bus, whether the bus is stationary or moving.

- The 40km/h speed limit must be obeyed when the rear ‘wig-wag’ lights on the bus flash.

- Flashing headlights on these buses also alert oncoming motorists that children are close by.

- A fine and the loss of demerit points will apply for failing to observe the 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus when the ‘wig-wag’ lights are showing.

- **If you park illegally in a bus zone, there is a minimum fine of $258 and the loss of 2 demerit points.**

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