

ROAD SAFETY TIPS

For students riding in the car, cycling, scootering or walking to school.

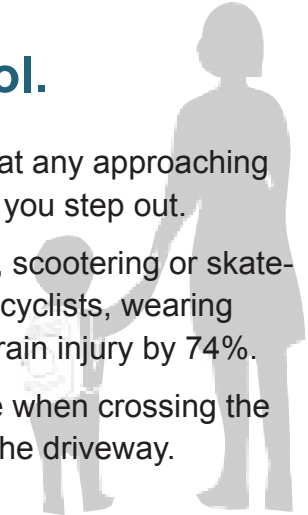
Drivers are responsible for ensuring that all passengers under the age of 16 are correctly restrained. **Keep primary school children** seated in a booster seat (in the back seat of the car) until they are **148cm tall**. School students and pre-schoolers are 59% less likely to be injured in a crash when they are securely seated in an approved child restraint.

Turn off your devices and **remove your earphones** when crossing the road, and stop walking if you need to make a phone call or send a text message.

When using a pedestrian crossing, **check** that any approaching vehicles have seen you and can stop before you step out.

Always wear a safety helmet when cycling, scootering or skateboarding to school to protect your brain. For cyclists, wearing helmets reduces the likelihood of a severe brain injury by 74%.

Stop, look and listen at driveways. Just like when crossing the road to make sure there are no cars exiting the driveway.



DRIVERS WATCH OUT FOR CHILDREN ON THE ROAD...

Double check those crossings and intersections. Children can be hard to see in between parked cars. Take care in high pedestrian traffic areas and make sure the road is clear of children.

Slow down at school zones at all times and even on weekends.

If a school bus has stopped the law requires you to **slow down** and drive at **20 km per hour or less** until you are well past - no matter which direction you are driving from.

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TOP TIPS: *Wear a helmet when cycling or scootering, stop using devices when crossing the street, and use a booster seat until 148cm tall.*