



BARTLETT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Bartlett Police Remind Motorists to Drive Carefully as Students Return to School

The Bartlett Police Department is reminding motorists to please slow down and be extra cautious as students start the first day of school on Wednesday, August 26, 2009. Police urge drivers to obey school speed zones signs, pay attention for students on their way to & from school, and be extra cautious when school buses are picking up & dropping off students at school and in the neighborhoods. Police also urge motorists to allow for extra travel time due to increased congestion around schools and longer commute times.

Police are encouraging students who walk to & from school to always look both ways before crossing the street, cross only at corners, obey school crossing guards, watch for turning cars, and be especially alert during inclement weather.

The Bartlett Public Works Department will be posting “School’s Open Drive Carefully” signs near the schools to remind motorists that school is back in session. The Bartlett Police Department’s Traffic Unit will be conducting expanded speed enforcement patrols of school speed zones while the Investigations Unit and Public Services Bureau will be monitoring the elementary schools.

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