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**FLPD BACK TO SCHOOL
ADVISORY**

As parents and students are preparing for the start of the 2017-2018 school year, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department continues to keep safety as our top priority.

The start of the school year will bring an increase in vehicular and pedestrian traffic around the City of Fort Lauderdale. Residents are encouraged to use extreme caution when traveling in a school zone and to keep these safety tips in mind:

- Slow down, pay attention, and never drive distracted
- Obey all speed limit signs and signals in and around school zones
- Stop for school buses when their red lights are flashing
- Watch for children walking or riding bicycles
- Obey crossing guards and stop at all crosswalks
- Yield to pedestrians and look before turning right
- Follow the school's traffic pattern for dropping off and picking up children
- Avoid U-Turns or double parking in school zones

Police personnel will be present in each school zone for the first week to ensure drivers are obeying all traffic laws.

In our continued efforts to build a positive relationship between law enforcement and our youth, Fort Lauderdale Police Officers will also be at elementary schools around our City on Monday, August 21, to meet the students as they arrive for their first day back to school.

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