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RE: Yield for School Busses.

Dillingham Citizens,

We are once again back into a new and exciting school year. As a city and school district our most valuable asset is our school children. These children are our future and we care deeply about their learning, health, and safety.

With the school year starting again our school busses are running their routes before and after school five days a week. Last year we had some issues with drivers yielding for busses with a couple of close calls. This year we have already had a very close call that could have ended up very tragically and we are lucky nothing did.

Children are excited and aren't always paying attention loading or unloading on and off the bus. That's the reason the busses are equipped with the warning lights and the stop sign with red lights. Please be aware of the school busses in your neighborhood and on the streets.

We will have police around the busses as much as possible and they will issue citations when they observe a violation. The reality of this situation is it isn't about receiving a citation, it's about children, it's about doing the right thing without a police officer watching you. Because in the end a citation won't matter much if we have a terrible tragedy in our community.

So, please slow down. Remind others to slow down. Be prepared to stop anytime you are approaching a bus. Keep our children safe.

Sincerely,



Alice Ruby
Mayor



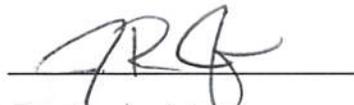
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