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Chatham County Police Urging Motorists to Use Extra Caution as Students Return to School

Chatham County, GA (August 2, 2019) – The Chatham County Police Department is urging motorists to use extra caution on the roads when Savannah-Chatham County public schools begin their new year Monday, and will increase traffic enforcement efforts in school zones as children return to class.

Extreme care should be used around school bus stops, and drivers should be well-aware of the laws regarding stopped school busses. Drivers traveling in both directions in all lanes must stop for a school bus that has stopped on a two-lane or multi-lane road. The only exception is a divided highway with a dirt, grass, or barrier median. In that case, drivers in all lanes behind the bus must stop, while drivers traveling in the opposite direction must use caution.

Drivers should also be mindful of decreased speed limits in school zones and keep a watchful eye out for children walking, riding bicycles, and crossing the street with or without a crossing guard.

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