

ULIS NEWTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Newton families,

With an increased focus on traffic safety in the community following several tragic traffic collisions this year, I would like to take a moment to remind families about the importance of obeying laws in school zones.

Whether walking, driving, or riding a bike or scooter, we all play a role in keeping our roads safe.

For Drivers

School zones are in effect 30 minutes before school and 30 minutes after children are dismissed. During those times, it is against Nevada law to:

- Make a U-turn.
- Exceed the posted school zone speed limit.
- Pass another vehicle, even if that vehicle slows down or stops.
- Stop, back over, or park within 20 feet of a crosswalk.

It is also illegal to stop in the middle of the road or in other prohibited areas, such as red curbs, to pick up or drop off a passenger.

For Pedestrians and Cyclists

Whether walking or riding a bike, it is essential to be visible, alert, and watchful for vehicles.

When crossing roads:

- Always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Make eye contact and wave to drivers.
- Watch for cars that may be hidden behind other cars.
- Cross at intersections and marked crosswalks.

No matter how you are travelling, avoid distractions and be predictable. While distracted driving is illegal, if you are walking while distracted, you may not hear or see approaching traffic, or you may miss an obstacle in your path.

The Clark County School District Safe Routes to School Department provides tips and information on road safety for students of all ages. You can access resources by <u>clicking here</u>.

Please call the school's main office at **702-799-0500** with any questions or concerns.

Thank you, Meaghan McGowan Principal

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