



Back to School Safety

On base students will be returning to school on Monday, August 28, 2017. The School Liaison Office reminds motorists and pedestrians to use safe transportation practices and to observe applicable laws in and near school zones. It is essential that motorists and pedestrians alike follow the rules of the road. Let's start the year out confident that our students will travel to and from school safely.

The following are quick tips to start the year, for complete guidance go to:

<http://www.grandforks.af.mil/About-Us/School-Liaison>

Reminders to Drivers:

- No U-turns are allowed on Louisiana St.
- Yield to any children or adults crossing in the crosswalk areas
- Reduce vehicle speed to 15 mph in the school zone
- Students shall only load and unload from the curbside of the car, not in the road
- No loading or unloading in the south-bound lane of Louisiana St.
- All children are required to be properly restrained when being transported
- Cell phone usage is prohibited on base while driving. Hands free devices should also not be used in school zones as these devices may cause distracted driving.

Reminders for Pedestrians & Wheeled Sports Users:

- Pedestrians should be aware of traffic around them and not be using electronic devices while in motion
- Parents should consider the age and maturity of their child as well as the path and distance to travel when allowing youth to walk to and from school unattended by an adult.
- When crossing the street, look left-right-left for cars. (A visual reminder of this practice has been painted on the sidewalk in the school crossing zone.) Do not cross if a car is coming.
- Pedestrians should access the roadway at designated intersections and crosswalks. Leave the curb or place of safety only when you have the right of way.
- Walk on the sidewalk and if there is none, walk facing traffic in the grass if possible.
- Wheeled sports equipment should not be ridden in the road.
- While on school grounds, wheeled sports equipment, such as skateboards and in line skates, need to be carried, and bikes need to be walked.

For more information concerning school safety contact Twining Elementary/Middle School at 701-787-5100 or the School Liaison Office at 701-747-4484.