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City of Shreveport Urges Citizens to Slow Down and Stay Alert in School Zones

With the new school year underway, the City of Shreveport is reminding all motorists to slow down and pay close attention in school zones. Whether or not a camera is present, speeding in a school zone can result in a citation.

School zones equipped with automated enforcement cameras will be clearly marked with yellow lines painted on the roadway. These cameras will capture violations during the posted school zone times, and citations will be issued to the vehicle's registered owner.

However, Mayor Tom Arceneaux stressed that school safety enforcement does not stop at camera locations. "Even if there isn't a camera, our police officers will be patrolling school zones across Shreveport," Arceneaux said. "We want to make sure drivers understand — if you are speeding near a school, you can and will be ticketed."

Citations can be issued by an officer or through the automated camera system during the designated school zone times, which are clearly posted on signs near each school. These times may vary depending on the location.

The Mayor's Office and Shreveport Police Department urge residents and visitors to:

- Reduce speed when approaching a school zone.
- Watch for crossing guards and children near crosswalks.
- Avoid distractions such as cell phones while driving – which is now against the law in Louisiana as of August 1, 2025. Under the new law, drivers are prohibited from physically holding or manually using a cell phone or similar device while driving.

"Our children's safety is the priority," Arceneaux added. "Slowing down in school zones is one of the simplest ways to protect them."

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