BACK TO SCHOOL

It is that time of year again! It is important to pay attention to recent changes to school zone speeds and school zone laws.

There are 5 zones in the city that are now 20 MPH.

- Rousseau Elementary
- St. Peter Catholic School
- Humann Elementary
- Dawes Middle School
- St. Patrick Catholic School

These areas have new signs and the roads immediately adjacent to the schools are 20 mph when children are present.

Six easy tips when taking kids to school or picking them up

1. Watch your speed! Pay attention to the signs.
2. Watch for children! As you get closer to the school, the number of children will increase. Watch closely for children darting between vehicles, running across the street or engaging in horseplay.
3. When parking to drop off or pick up children, make sure they enter or exit from the sidewalk, not the street. NEVER let them out into the street. Be respectful of the neighbor’s property - do not block their drive way. Please be patient if you are in line. Patience will enhance safety.
4. Have older children meet you at an area less busy.
5. Contact your school and inquire about the drop off/pick up traffic pattern that most schools have instituted for the safety of the students.
6. Lastly, after dropping off or picking up, please leave the area in a safe manner.

SAFETY IS EVERYONE’S CONCERN!
Since September 8, 1976, Crime Stoppers USA has been encouraging citizens to submit crime tips. It began as the brainchild of an Albuquerque detective who was lamenting the need for something to get citizens involved in providing tips on crimes and to identify suspects.

The first “Crime of the Week” announcement led to the identification and arrest of three men for a homicide. Crime Stoppers has an average 95% conviction rate on cases solved by a simple tip.

Lincoln/Lancaster County Crime Stoppers began in 1983. It should be noted that Crime Stoppers is a separate entity from the police department. It is a 501c3 corporation, funded solely by donations. The governing board is comprised of members of our community who have an interest in seeing a safer community.

Each year, Crime Stoppers hosts a National Convention, bringing together stake-holders in the enterprise. This year’s event was held in Omaha at the end of September. It was well attended with opportunities for groups throughout the world to interact and trade ideas.

Please take a moment to look at the page and see if you can help identify anyone from our local cases. Remember, you do not have to leave your name and you may be eligible for a CASH reward.

**Halloween Safety Tips**

Tip #1: Plan your route in advance
Tip #2: Wear reflective clothing
Tip #3: Have stranger danger talk
Tip #4: Wear Shoes for walking
Tip #5: Keep costumes comfortable
Tip #6: Establish a curfew
Tip #7: Remember your cell phone
Tip #8: Stay hydrated
Tip #9: Check candy before eating
Tip #10: Keep your walkways clear
We always worry about what our children may be doing online. With the issues that can develop from online connections, I thought it was important to remind everyone about ways to make your youth a “Safe Surfer”!

Check your mood! If you are angry, it is not a good time to get on social media and say something you might regret. Remember, once it goes out online, there is no taking it back!

Remain anonymous! Do not share private information:

- Full name
- Any photographs
- Current location
- Home or School Address
- Phone numbers
- Social Security Number
- Passwords
- Names of family members
- Credit Card Numbers
- Daily schedule
- Vacation plans

Be aware of people who are phishing for more information. Con artists have become very sneaky and develop ways of making websites look valid, when they are just an attempt to gather private data. More information can be found at this website:


NOW HIRING

- Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming a Lincoln Police officer?
- We encourage anyone with an interest in law enforcement officer to apply and begin the process.
- Check out our website or contact a recruiter for more information.

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ZOOM MEETINGS

Keep watching your emails for links for the City Wide Neighborhood Watch ZOOM Meetings. Usually, they fall on the last Thursday of the month at 7pm. You can meet the officers from the Community Services Unit, ask questions and find out about forming NEW Neighborhood Watch groups!