# Crossing Guards = Crosswalk Superstars



Helping Beaverton School District students get to and from school safely



# Crossing Guard's main responsibilities

- Student safety when crossing roads on the way to and from school.
- Greet students, parents and community members all road users with respect and courtesy and a positive attitude.
  - This helps gain cooperation from students, parents or guardians, staff, community members and all road users.

#### Requirements

 Be on time with equipment (flag and vest) at post dressed for whatever weather is present, sorry, no umbrellas.

# Know your crosswalk

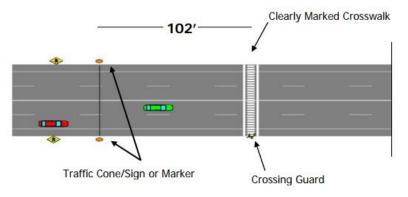
#### Each is unique!

- Are signs and lights visible and working?
- Know where a car must be to see you so they can stop before reaching crosswalk
  - "Visual Cue" distance depends on speed of vehicle and weather conditions

#### Cone/Marker Placement

Speed Limit (mph)	15	20	25	30	35	40
Distance (ft)	46	73	102	140	183	234

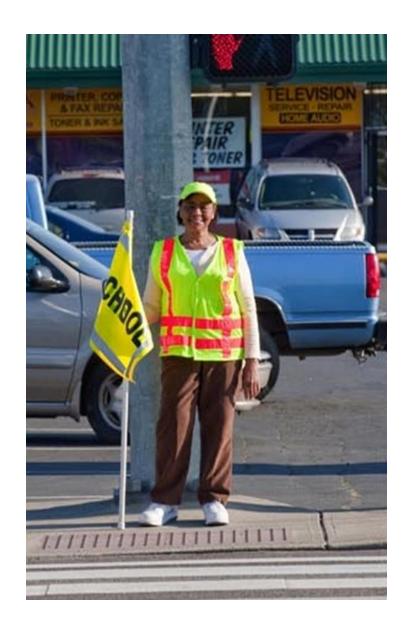
Example: 25 mph (actual speed, dry road conditions)



Source: http://www.saferoutesnj.org

#### Crossing Procedures

While waiting for students the flag should be held in the neutral position. This communicates to traffic that you are not preparing to enter the crosswalk.



# Curbside Assembly

In gate position, with students away from traffic:

- Group students to maximize safety and efficiency
- Instruct students to dismount bicycles, scooters, skateboards, etc.



#### Position for Crossing

- Press Crossing Button, select break in traffic or when your light turns green...
- When all traffic has stopped, enter roadway with flag leading to mid crossing, be in <u>open position</u>.
- Keep students on the curb until you have established your position and you are sure that all traffic has stopped.
- Once your position is established, failure of a driver to stop or yield to you is a Class A Traffic Infraction.



<sup>\*</sup> Remember, you cannot control traffic. You must wait for a gap before you enter traffic.

#### Initiate Student Crossing

- When all traffic is stopped, instruct students to cross.
- Maintain position until all students have completed the crossing.
- Return to starting curb keeping school flag displayed until you leave roadway.



#### Reporting violations, problems

- As best you can record license plate, make, model, time, date, location, direction, driver description and what happened.
  - Report to Road Authority non-emergency
  - If violation on school grounds, report to principal
- Report dirty signs and/or signals not working.
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- Don't hesitate to report suspicious persons.
- In emergencies, contact law enforcement and school.

# Crashes and Injuries

- Make sure all students are in a safe place away from any hazard.
- If a student is injured at your assigned crossing, make sure all students are safely across then attend to injured student.
- If a vehicle is in any way involved with the student injury, obtain a complete description of both the vehicle and the driver if possible.
  - Get witness names, numbers to pass on to law enforcement.
- If injured person in road, make sure all other students can safety get out of the road. Do not move injured unless they are in greater danger.
- Avoid becoming overly involved unless students are involved, provide assistance only if you can without jeopardizing the safety of the students.

# Thank you for being part of the Safety Team!

#### Resources:

- New Jersey SRTS Program: <a href="http://www.saferoutesnj.org">http://www.saferoutesnj.org</a>
- Public Safety:
- Risk Management:
- City of Beaverton:
- Washington County: