



School zone road rules

Advice for parents, guardians and drivers

The City of Gold Coast enforces a variety of parking rules at and around schools to achieve a safer environment for students.

These rules also help to optimise traffic movement and safety. Children look to you to keep them safe.

Schools are busy areas with lots of children around who do not always understand the danger of roads and vehicles. Make sure to take extra care when parking on school grounds or on the roads and streets around the school. Obey the signed parking rules at all times to provide a safer environment for students.

No parking areas and/or kiss and ride zones

These have been installed at most schools to help parents and carers safely drop off and pick up their children.

For these zones to work effectively, parents and carers need to:

- **Be timely.** If there is no indicated time on the No Parking sign, you are only permitted to stop for two minutes. If your child does not enter or exit the vehicle within that time, you are required to exit the zone and re-enter when your child is ready.
- **Not move more than three metres from your vehicle.** For example, a driver may get out of the car, open the boot and help children with their bags, but they must not move any further than three metres from their vehicle.
- **Stop their vehicle as close as possible to the head of the zone.** This will allow other parents and carers easy access to the zone.

Always obey the signs

You can stop here for
2 minutes only



- You can drop off or pick up your child here but you must either stay in the car or within 3 metres of the car.
- Stop as close to the head of the zone as possible to allow easy access for everyone.

You cannot stop here



- You cannot drop off or pick up your child here.

You cannot stop here
Unless driving a bus



- You cannot drop off or pick up your child here.



School zone speed limits

When you are entering a school zone, you will see a school zone sign.

The sign will tell you the:

- reduced speed limit
- times when this limit is in place.

The times that most school zones apply in Queensland are 7am – 9am and 2pm – 4pm.

It is the responsibility of all drivers to abide by the road rules.

To view or find out more information on road rules and regulatory signs visit qld.gov.au/transport

Always observe speed limits – they are designed to keep children safe.

Offences in school zones

Stop on/near pedestrian or children's crossing

Stop at/near bus stop

Double park

Disobey no parking sign

Disobey no stopping sign

Stop on path/strip in built-up area

Stop on/across a driveway/other access to/from land

Stop on a yellow painted line

City of Gold Coast enforces the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management – Road Rules) Regulation 2009*, the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995* and regulations through Local Laws 2, 9 and 11.

Let's keep moving

Why not try to incorporate active travel into your daily routine? Not only will you feel better for it but it helps to reduce traffic congestion and keep the roads around your school moving.

Try leaving the car at home and walk or cycle to school.



Park a bit further away from school and walk or cycle the rest of the way.



Choose one day a week and make it your walk or cycle to school day.



Walking and cycling is a great way to spend time together and allows children to develop a healthy sense of community.

You may also consider carpooling with other families or using school bus transport as a way to reduce the number of cars on the road.

Be safe

Be respectful

Lead by example