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Press Release:

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Event: Back to school.

On Monday August 18, 2014 the Bishop Unified School's will be headed back into the classrooms for the 2014/2015 school year. The Bishop Police Department would like to remind the public of this upcoming event and for drivers; parents; and students to be safe when around the school zones.

School starts at 8:15am every day. If you choose to drive your child to school on the first day; please aware of the speed limit; other vehicles, and children walking to school. Please be patient while driving into the school areas. If you are driving to the Bishop Elementary School; the school is implementing a "Valet" program to help alleviate the amount of traffic dropping off students. Please pay attention to the signs posted at the school and keep the flow of traffic moving. The school is asking parents to drop off your child(ren) in the designated areas and then drive through. If for some reason you need to walk your child(ren); please find an appropriate parking space and park your car. Do not park your car in the "student drop off area." If you do so; you are affecting the rest of the traffic trying to drop of their child(ren). Be courteous to other drivers; students, and follow the school rules.

There will be many students walking to school; drivers pay attention to the crosswalks and the Crossing Guards. Drivers should be attentive to all pedestrians crossing the street; small children may dart into traffic without even looking. When travelling through school areas, drivers should anticipate pedestrians and be prepared to stop. Avoid in-vehicle distractions at all times and abide by the speed limit, especially in the school speed zoned areas. Drivers need to pay attention when approaching a crosswalk area and look for the crossing guard. All crossing guards will have a red STOP paddle and will place the sign in the air while crossing the street with pedestrians. The crossing guard is the first to enter the crosswalk and the last one to leave. **Remember to slow down; be observant and patient while in crosswalk areas.**

This is a fun time of the year for our children and we want to make sure everyone is safe. The police department will be continuously patrolling the school areas on the first day of school as well as the entire school year, to help ensure the flow of traffic is moving well and keep the school areas a safe place.

Enjoy the first day of school!

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