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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Milpitas Police focus on School Zones for “Operation Safe Passage”**

**DATE:** September 9, 2013 thru September 13, 2013

The Milpitas Police Department, in conjunction with other Santa Clara County Law Enforcement agencies, will be participating in "Operation Safe Passage" starting September 9th thru September 13th 2013. Milpitas Police participates in this special program twice a year in order to increase the safety of students commuting to and from school.

During “Operation Safe Passage,” officers will strictly enforce traffic violations in and around all local school zones. They will focus on the following violations by both motorists as well as commuting students.

- Failing to stop for school buses with flashing stoplights
- Speeding vehicles
- Failing to yield to pedestrians
- Jaywalking
- Juvenile bicyclists without required helmets or not properly worn
- Seat belt and child restraint seat violations
- Cell phone or texting violations
- Stop sign violations

This is just a reminder for all motorists to slow down and exercise extra care in the school zones.

**Remember it is up to us, as a community, to ensure that our children stay safe!**

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