

# Safe speeds around schools

## Ngā tere haumaruru tata ki ngā kura

### New variable speed limit - coming to your school soon

To help keep young New Zealanders safe, NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) is setting a new variable speed limit that targets the times when vulnerable children are most active around our schools.



#### What this means for your school

As required by the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2024, a variable speed limit of 30km/h outside your school on the state highway has been approved by the Director of Land Transport.

We're working through the details for installation and will do our best to minimise disruption. Details will be shared via school communications channels once confirmed, such as timings for installation and if there will be any impact on travel around school.

#### When will the variable speed limit operate, and how will people know it's operating?

The variable speed limit will be active when students are travelling to and from school, at the beginning and end of each school day. The school and NZTA may also turn the signs on for activities such as late starts, or early finish times, or school functions, when there is similar risk to tamariki.

When operating, the variable speed limit will appear on a flashing electronic sign. If the sign is not turned on, the normal permanent speed limit applies.

**Variable speed limits are legally enforceable.**

#### Helping students understand the importance of safe speed limits

If you're a parent, caregiver or teacher wanting to help students understand why safe speeds are important around schools, there are several resources available in the **NZTA Education Portal**.

These include ideas for fun and interactive lessons you can do with tamariki in the classroom, in the courtyard or at home.

Scan the QR code to go to the Education Portal resource, **Safe speeds around schools**.



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