

High Risk Driver Behavior — Shadle Park High School

Driver Behavior

During Active School Zone Times (409 Drivers)

- \Rightarrow Median speed = 31 mph
 - *A.M. School Zone = 30 mph
 - *P.M. School Zone = 32 mph
- \Rightarrow Maximum Speed Recorded = 44 mph *A.M. School Zone = 41 mph
 - *P.M. School Zone = 44 mph
- Distracted Drivers = 41 (10%) \Rightarrow
- Front Seat Passengers Unbelted = 53 (13%) \Rightarrow

During Regular Posted Speed Times (4,913 Drivers)

Median speed = 31 mph \Rightarrow

20 мрн

40 мрн

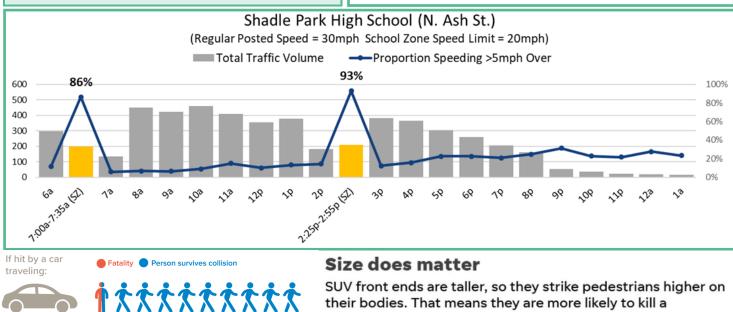
- Maximum Speed Recorded = 51 mph \Rightarrow
- Distracted Drivers = 382 (11%) \Rightarrow
- Front Seat Passengers Unbelted = 523 (15%) \Rightarrow

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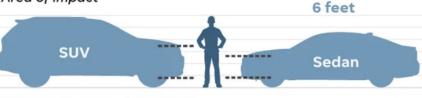
Driver behavior data was collected on N. Ash St. within the school zone. This site has flashing beacons indicating the active school zone (20 mph) 7:00-7:35 a.m. and 2:25-2:55 p.m. The regular posted speed is 30 mph.

Overall, speeding (>5 mph over) was high at this location increasing in the afternoon. Nearly every driver was traveling greater than 25 mph during active school zone times. Drivers were not only exceeding the regular posted speed, they were not adjusting their speeds in response to the flashing beacons.



their bodies. That means they are more likely to kill a pedestrian than a car that would strike a person's leg.

Area of impact



SOURCE Free Press research; USA TODAY

Speeding

25+ mph

over

0%

0

0%

0

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Driver Behavior in School Zones—Shadle Park High School

Traffic sensors collected speed data from 6:00 a.m. until 1 a.m. (20 hours). In addition to speed, vehicle type, driver distraction, and front seat occupant seat belt use were collected from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. (10 hours). Nearly every driver in the school zone was traveling greater than 20 mph, and more than half of speeding drivers were traveling greater than 30 mph in the active school zone. There was little difference between morning and afternoon school zone times, but drivers traveled at higher speeds during the afternoon school zone.

Driver Speeding Behavior—N. Ash St. How fast are SPEEDING DRIVERS going? Speeding Speeding Speeding Speeding Speeding **Total Driver** Posted Speed/ Speeding **Observations** 1-5 mph 6-10 mph 11-15 15-20 mph 21-25 mph **Vehicle Action** Driver (n=) over mph over over over over 75% 22% 3% 0% < 1% **Regular Posted** 55% 4,913 Speed Limit = 35 mph (n=2,697) 2025 593 68 9 2 9% 1% 38% 39% 12% School Zone Flashing 99% 409 (n=403) Beacons = 20mph 36 155 158 49 5 School Zone Speeding Behavior 12% 47% 30% 10% 1% 98% A.M. School Zone 199 (7:00 a.m.-7:35 a.m.) (n=195) 23 19 2 92 59 99% 6% 30% 48% 14% 1% P.M. School Zone 210 (2:25 p.m.-2:55 p.m.) (n=208) 13 63 99 30 3 Speeding Behavior by Vehicle Type (Collected 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% Bus 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 63% 29% 5% 3% 0% 54% **Pickup Truck** 180 (n=97) 61 28 5 3 0 65% 23% 9% 3% < 1% 56% Sedan 1,703 (n=957) 26 1 624 217 89 64% 23% 9% 3% 1% 54% SUV 1.368 (n=738) 475 169 67 23 4 9% 1% 0% 67% 23% 54% 698 Van (n=375) 252 87 32 4 0 Speeding Behavior by Light Conditions (All Times) 65% 23% 9% 3% < 1% 54% Daylight 3,807 (6:45a-4:24p) (n=2,062) 1,330 478 193 56 5

70%

731

69%

(n=1,038)

1,515

Nighttime

(4:25p-1:00a)

26%

270

3%

33

< 1%

2

< 1%

2



Shadle Park High School—N. Ash St. Thursday, November 9, 2023

Multiple High Risk Behaviors—Shadle Park High School

Non-School Zone

High Risk

Behaviors,

1,136, 32%

	Active School Zone	Non-School Zone
No High Risk Behavior	33 (8%)	2,404 (68%)
Speeding Only	286 (70%)	292 (8%)
Distraction Only	2 (< 1%)	289 (8%)
Unbelted Passengers Only	7 (2%)	402 (11%)
Speeding + Distraction	35 (9%)	32 (1%)
Speeding + Unbelted	42 (10%)	60 (2%)
Unbelted + Distracted	0	57 (2%)
Speeding + Distracted + Unbelted	4 (1%)	4 (< 1%)



Most drivers (92%) engaged in at least one high risk driver behavior (speeding, distracted, unbelted) in the active school zone compared to one in three drivers during non-school zone hours.

Speeding (>5mph over) was the most common single high risk driver behavior in the school zone, and an additional one in five drivers were either speeding and unbelted or speeding and distracted.

Eight drivers were recorded as speeding, distracted, and unbelted all at once, half in the active school zone.

No High Risk Behaviors, 33, 8% 2,404, 68%

> High Risk Behaviors, 376, 92%

One High Risk

Behavior, 295,

78%

Two High Risk Behaviors, 77, 21%

Three High Risk Behaviors, 4, 1% One High Risk Behavior, 983, 87% Two High Risk Behaviors, 149, 13%

Three High Risk Behaviors, 4, 0%

Active School Zone

The Fatal Four Image Source: The National Road Safety Foundation https://www.nrsf.org/