

Crisafulli Government delivers more flashing school zone signs for Gregory

- Crisafulli Government to deliver new Flashing School Zone Signs across 100 high-risk school zones in Queensland to help keep children safe.
- \$6.9 million has been allocated this financial year for the new infrastructure.
- Installing flashing school zone signs leads to a 45 per cent decrease in the number of motorists exceeding the speed limit by more than 10 km/h.

As Queensland Road Safety Week draws to a close, the Crisafulli Government has announced Flashing School Zone Signs are being rolled out across more than 100 high-risk school zones, including six schools in the Gregory electorate.

Almost \$7 million has been allocated this financial year to install and maintain the signs across the State, which are proven to reduce speeding and enhance safety for children travelling to and from school.

Schools to receive new Flashing School Zone Signs in Gregory include:

- Bedourie State School
- Springsure State School
- Anakie State School
- Jundah State School
- Blackwater State School
- Aramac State School

Last year, 12,384 infringement notices were issued across Queensland for motorists speeding in 40km/h school zones.

Tragically, more than 63 school aged children in Queensland were injured in 2024 as a result of a crashes in school zones, with around 30 of those casualties hospitalised.

The selected school zones were identified based on a comprehensive assessment of crash history, pedestrian activity, traffic volume, speed limits, visibility concerns, and feedback from school communities.

Research shows flashing school zone signs lead to a 45 per cent reduction in the number of motorists exceeding the speed limit by more than 10 km/h, significantly

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improving driver behaviour during school hours.

Minister for Transport and Main Road Brent Mickelberg said the Crisafulli Government was committed to ensuring all children have a safe journey to and from school.

"Children are one of our most vulnerable road users and we will continue to implement road safety measures to improve safety around schools," he said.

"The upgraded signs compliment a raft of measures being delivered by the Crisafulli Government to improve road safety, including the parliamentary inquiry into e-mobility use, more speeding enforcement measures, and \$25.5 billion being invested in Queensland's road network alone over the next four years.

"This is about delivering programs, initiatives and projects that help protect lives on our roads."

Education Minister John Paul Langbroek said driver awareness in school zones was paramount to helping save lives.

"Every child deserves to feel safe on their way to and from school. These flashing signs are a simple but powerful reminder to drivers to slow down and stay alert," Mr Langbroek said.

"We're listening to school communities and acting on their concerns to make school zones safer across Queensland."

Member for Gregory Sean Dillon said the flashing school zone signs actively reminded motorists when and where to slow down.

"Across our local region, we know that motorists' behaviour around our local schools is a common concern for parents and staff," Mr Dillon said.

"This is about more than signs – it is about listening to our community and acting on their concerns.

"The Crisafulli Government is delivering real safety upgrades for our children."

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