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***Vision Zero Safety Notice: Back to School 2025***

To all Trade Waste Licensees and Registrants:

NYC public schools are back in session starting **Thursday, September 4, 2025**. BIC urges licensees and registrants to **share this notice with drivers** to ensure a safe transition back to school. It is crucial that you promote a strong safety culture and remind drivers that there will be consequences for failure to obey traffic laws.

***School Zone Safety Reminders:***

- Always obey crossing guards
- Always stop for school buses with flashing red lights
- The speed limit in school zones ranges from 15 to 25 miles per hour during school hours

***Safe Trade Waste Collection:***

- Follow designated truck routes
- Avoid blocking crosswalks, bike lanes, and sidewalks
- Drive on the correct side of the road and avoid unsafe backing up, even if that means making additional turns around the block
- Drivers and helpers must exercise additional caution around crosswalks and be aware that crossing children may be difficult to see from the truck's cab

Thank you for your continued commitment to safety. Together we can continue to improve public safety on city streets and achieve the Vision Zero goal of eliminating traffic fatalities.

