

As the time for the opening of schools on September 7, 1944 draws near I wish to call to attention the following important matters.

The schools will open at the usual time on the first day and close at noon.

Children must be six years of age on or before October first to enter school this year. No exception can be made to this law. All children entering school for the first time should present birth certificates to their teachers.

The compulsory attendance law has changed and now applies to all children who are seven years old and who have not reached their sixteenth birthday. The law now includes high school attendance also.

Any person who drives by a school bus in either direction while it is loading or unloading school children is guilty of reckless driving. Unless there are less violations of this law some arrests will have to be made this year.

The conditions under which school bus insurance is written prohibits carrying casual passengers in the buses. Only school children, teachers, officials, and other employees, and patrons who go to visit the school or to attend, or assist with some special activity, such as a school play, may ride in the bus. A patron assisting with the school work could use the bus, a red cross worker would not be eligible.

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