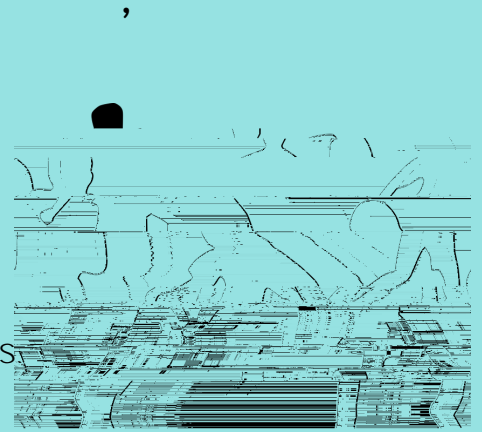


NO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL ZONES FACTSHEET*

A new ordinance (law) passed by the Anchorage Assembly on June 20, 2019

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- Student safety is extremely important.
- Distracted driving is dangerous.
- Talking on a cell phone or mobile communication device is a distraction that causes distracted driving and jeopardizes student safety in designated school zones.



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A **cellular phone** is a cellular phone, smart phone, personal data assistant, wireless tablet, computer, or any similar device used for voice or visual communication.

A **school zone** is a school zone with signage between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and where the maximum speed is 25 miles per hour or less on the streets permanently or due to a temporary speed reduction indicated by flashing school zone lights.

A **hands-free device** is a phone with speaker capability, an attachment, or other piece of equipment that allows the use of the device without either of the operator's hands.

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- A vehicle is **operated** OR a mobile communication device is used with a **hands-free device**.
- A mobile communication device is **used** **911** and make an emergency call.

*This fact sheet is provided as a courtesy to the public to highlight provisions of the law; it is not the law. For specific details of the law and the requirements or prohibitions in the law, please refer to the text of the ordinance (AO No. 2019-51(S)am) or Anchorage Municipal Code section 9.28.055.

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- A \$500 fine, or
- A class A misdemeanor if a person's driving causes physical injury or death to another person.



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The State of Alaska has preempted Anchorage's right to ban talking on a cell