



PRESS RELEASE
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School Zone Installed on Market Street

Rick Marcotte Central School becomes second School Zone in South Burlington

SOUTH BURLINGTON – A school zone encompassing the Rick Marcotte Central School (RMCS) has been established on Market Street in South Burlington. All necessary lighting and signage has been installed and the school zone is in effect as of Monday, November 13, 2023.

The new school zone signage will reinforce the need for motorists to pay attention for pedestrians and reinforce the 25 mph speed limit on Market Street. The school zone is located on Market Street between the intersection with Mary Street to a point approximately 300 feet west of Garden Street. Flashing beacons will be in effect during school drop off and pickup, from 7:00–8:30 a.m. and 2:00–4:30 p.m., on days in which school is in session.

A four-way stop was previously installed at the Market Street and the RMCS access road. The stop signs improve pedestrian safety by adding breaks in traffic for pedestrians to cross at this intersection.

The formation of a school zone on Market Street is the result of study completed by the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC). The City's Department of Public Works (DPW) requested a study be completed due to concerns related to traffic and pedestrian safety on Market Street, particularly during school pickup and drop-off hours. The South Burlington City Council established the school zone under Resolution #2023-15 on August 21, 2023.

The School Zone on Market Street is the second established within South Burlington since 2022. The first School Zone is located on White Street and serves the Gertrude Chamberlin School. The City is currently working with engineers to evaluate the potential for an additional school zone on Dorset Street in the vicinity of the Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School and South Burlington High School.

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