



**SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY**

One injured child is one too many!

Please be aware that Putnam City Schools start **August 10th**



**BACK TO SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS**

School Bus Safety for Motorist:



- Motorists coming to a school bus from **EITHER** direction **MUST STOP** when the bus displays flashing red warning lights and extends the stop signal arm. These signals show that children are getting on or off the school bus.
- Vehicles may not pass until the flashing red lights and signals are turned off. Passing when the flashing red warning lights are on and the stop signal arm is extended is illegal and can have tragic results.
- Violation of these laws can result in a citation and fine. In many places, school bus drivers can report passing vehicles.

School Bus Safety for Children:

- Wait for the bus away from traffic and the street.
- Do not head toward the bus until it comes to a complete stop.
- When exiting the bus, walk away from the bus and keep a safe distance. A good rule is to take five "giant steps" out from the front of the bus, or until the driver's face can be seen.
- Look left-right-left when coming to the edge of the bus to make sure traffic is stopped.

School Bus Safety for Parents:

- Supervise children as they wait for the bus, making sure they are away from the street.
- Instruct your child to ask the driver for help if he or she drops something near the bus. If a child bends down to pick something up, the driver may not see him or her.
- Have your child use a backpack or book bag to keep loose items together.
- Check to make sure clothing and backpacks don't have loose drawstrings or long straps that can get caught in the handrail or bus door.

If you think a bus stop is in a dangerous place, you can talk to the school office or transportation director about changing the location.

**Helpful Phone Numbers**

City Hall	405-789-2892
Fax	405-787-5432
Police Department	405-789-3329
Fire Department	405-789-5912
Animal Control	405-789-9025
Municipal Court	405-495-3032
Inspections & Permits	405-789-2892
Sanitation Department	405-491-6474
Streets & Parks	405-787-1404
Sewer Department	405-491-6478
Putnam City Schools	405-495-5200

**City Council Members**

**Mayor**

Jim Mickley 405-409-4944

**Ward 1**

Jim Von Thaar  
405-615-7966

**Ward 3**

Roger Godwin  
405-464-0411

Judy Myers  
405-722-1324

John Knipp  
405-789-4690

**Ward 2**

Mike Schmidt  
405-323-8933

**Ward 4**

William Tucker  
405-613-2723

Jon Evans  
405-520-5820

Donnie Ryan  
405-831-6483

**City Facebook Pages**

- **City Hall:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresCityHall/>
- **Police Department:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresPolice/>
- **Fire Department:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/Warr-Acres-Fire-Department-123632811077770/>

**Recycling**

Recycling is available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue. The Recycle center will be open first Saturday of the month only from 8:30am until 11:30am. **The Recycle Center is not open in January or July due to the weather.** Recycling includes plastic, cardboard, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather. Warr Acres Recycle Committee 405-720-2949

## **City Project Updates**

All of our city building projects are complete and the individual departments are now utilizing these buildings. The new Police Department, Fire Department, and Animal Shelter projects are completed including the City Hall remodeling project.



The city residential streets are completed and we were able to do more than originally estimated.

The MacArthur project is still under way, it is running a month or longer than anticipated, due to unforeseen utility problems and things found under the old street we never knew were there. This project will be completed sometime in August rather than July, as we anticipated.

I would like to thank our citizens for approving this bond issue to make all of these improvements to the city materializes.

## **Update from *Recycle Center:***

The City of Warr Acres is doing a trial run for 3 months to decide whether or not to continue with a new company for recycling. Some of the changes are:

- 1) We will accept recycling from any city now that we are being reimbursed for this or until, or if we change back.
- 2) We will no longer accept glass of any size or color.
- 3) We will accept tin cans, aluminum cans, plastics 1 and 2 (and these must be sorted), and cardboard.
- 4) No other materials will be accepted.
- 5) Recycling is still available on the first Saturday of each month. The open times are Saturday 8-12

## **Message from *Fire Chief:***

Sometimes people fall or are too sick or injured to open the door for responding firefighters. Patients should call 9-1-1 when they need medical assistance or lifting assistance. There are Medical Alert systems available that allow the patient to ask for help, if the patient is unable to call 9-1-1. Once firefighters arrive on scene, they must be able to get to the patient.

There are two good options for reducing the potential for damage to a window or door, when firefighters are unable to enter your home. There are residential Knox Boxes that hold a house key, but are only accessible to your local firefighters. The other option costs less. If you hide a key or share your garage code with the Warr Acres Fire Department, the computer aided dispatch system will alert the police dispatcher of where to find the key, or the code to open the garage. This information will be given to the responding firefighters. This information is inaccessible to the general public and only available to First Responders.