



# School Slow Zone Speed Humps Pilot

## What is a school slow zone?

- A school slow zone is a permanent 20mph speed limit on a neighborhood street within 600ft of a key school access point. [Learn more here.](#)
- The 20mph speed limits are enforceable all day, every day, and year-round.
- The county installed 20mph school slow zones around 13 schools in 2022 (Phase 1) and another 14 schools in 2023 (Phase 2). The remaining 19 school zones in Arlington will be updated in 2024 (Phase 3).

## Why is Arlington adding speed humps to school slow zones?

- Reducing vehicle speeds is fundamental to reducing severe crashes.
- Arlington has not added new speed humps in the last decade.
- This initiative reintroduces speed humps via a limited pilot focused on reducing speeds in school slow zones where data shows the introduction of 20mph speed limits has not lowered speeds.
- The pilot will occur at the following three sites:

Hit by a vehicle traveling at **20MPH**



Hit by a vehicle traveling at **30MPH**



**Gunston Middle School**  
**S Lang St**  
*Btw. Arlington Ridge Rd & 28th St S*

**85<sup>th</sup>% Speed: 30MPH**  
*High volume, gateway road to school zone*

**Hoffman Boston Elementary School**  
**S Queen St**  
*North of 12<sup>th</sup> St S thru 13rd Rd S*

**85<sup>th</sup>% Speed: 27MPH**  
*Gateway road to school zone, high pedestrian use*

**Cardinal Elementary School**  
**19<sup>th</sup> St N**  
*Btw. N Madison St & N Lexington St*

**85<sup>th</sup>% Speed: 28MPH**  
*High pedestrian use, pathway access point to school*

## How did Arlington select pilot locations?

- Staff collected speed data on segments that were viable candidates for speed humps within the Phase 1 school slow zones and selected the three locations with the highest speeds for the pilot.
- Additional speed hump sites may be considered in school slow zones following this initial pilot.

## What will the speed humps look like?

- The pilot will use tactical speed humps because they are easy to both install and remove quickly if needed. They are cost effective, tested for durability, and made from 100% recycled material. See photo at right.



## Pilot Timeline

