



**TEMPORARY SCHOOL ZONE ESTABLISHED ON FARAON TO
IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY**

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The City of St. Joseph will implement a temporary school zone designation along Faraon Street from Heartland Road to Riverside Road following recent safety concerns involving students crossing between Mosaic Life Care and the University of Missouri–Kansas City medical program facilities.

Foot traffic has increased in the area as medical students travel between the hospital and academic buildings located across the street from one another. At the same time, vehicle speeds along the corridor have not consistently slowed for pedestrians, creating a potential safety hazard for those crossing the roadway.

In response, the City will authorize a temporary school zone designation in the area. This designation will allow the installation of school zone signage and establish reduced speed expectations to help protect pedestrians while the City completes its formal review process.

The temporary designation will remain in place while a proposal moves through the appropriate channels, first to the Traffic Commission and then to the City Council for consideration of a permanent school zone.

City officials encourage community members to call 816-271-5324 with any questions or to request additional information about the temporary designation.