

Installation of Safe Routes to School Improvements for **Tyee Middle School**

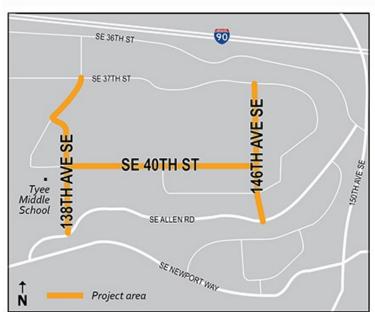
Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services developed a traffic safety improvement strategy for the Eastgate neighborhood and around Tyee Middle School focusing on the streets highlighted in the map below. This strategy focuses on addressing concerns about speeding and traffic volumes, the need for safe walking and bicycling in the neighborhood and to/from school as resources allow.

City staff have met with stakeholders, worked together with the school community and neighborhood residents to develop short and long-term actions to increase traffic safety. As funding allows, the project may install improved crosswalks, walkway improvements, and other features to calm traffic.

Concept design boards can be found at <u>www.bellevuewa.gov/eastgatetyeetraffic</u>.



Example of a school zone flashing beacon



Eastgate/Tyee Traffic Safety Improvement Project

School zone improvements around Tyee Middle School are the first element of this project to be installed.

In order to heighten motorist awareness of the number of people walking in the area around the school arrival and dismissal times, "20 MPH WHEN FLASHING" signs and yellow beacons will soon be installed on three streets near Tyee Middle School.

School zone signs and beacons will be installed on 138th Ave SE, on SE Allen Road, and SE Newport Way (See the map on back). These beacons will notify motorists who enter the Tyee school zone when the 20 mph speed limit is active and enforceable. When the beacons are not flashing, the speed limit will remain 25 mph on 138th Ave SE and on SE Allen Road and at 30 mph on Newport Way.



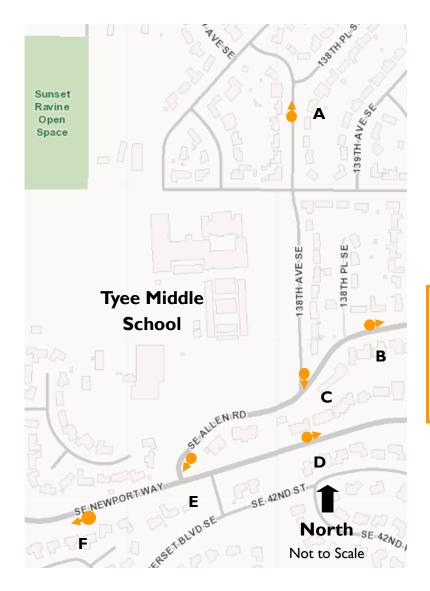
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CONSTRUCTION AHEAD

Flashing yellow beacons are some of the most effective ways to reduce the speed of traffic near schools. On school days, the lights will flash 40 minutes in the morning and 40 minutes in the afternoon to notify motorists that students may be walking in the area.

We anticipate the installation of these signs to be completed by the end of October. During construction, please use caution and obey all traffic control signing in the area.

Once the beacons are installed and operational, additional police enforcement will follow. Traffic fines are doubled in school zones when the beacons are flashing.



Approximate Locations of School Zone Flashing Beacons

LEGEND

School Zone Flashing Beacons arrow indicates the direction the beacon is pointing

A: 138th Ave SE (southbound traffic)
B: SE Allen Road (westbound)
C: 138th Ave SE (northbound)
D: SE Newport Way (westbound)
E: SE Allen Road (northbound)

F: SE Newport Way (eastbound)

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