



## ENGINEERING SERVICES

**To:** Mayor and Town Council

**From:** Hulon T. Webb, Jr., P.E., Director of Engineering Services

**Through:** Mario Canizares, Town Manager  
Chuck Ewings, Assistant Town Manager

**Re:** School Zone Ordinance Amendment

**Town Council Meeting – July 22, 2025**

**Strategic Visioning Priority: 4. Provide Excellent Municipal Services**

---

**Agenda Item:**

Consider and act upon an ordinance amending Section 12.09.004 "School Traffic Zones" of Chapter 12 "Traffic and Vehicles" of the Town's Code of Ordinances by modifying the limits and hours of operation of such zones.

**Description of Agenda Item:**

For the upcoming 2025-2026 school year, the Prosper Independent School District (PISD) will open its nineteenth elementary (Thomson), sixth middle school (Moseley) and fourth high school (Richland). The PISD recently announced new start and end times for all elementary, middle and high schools for the 2025-2026 school year as shown below. The Denton Independent School District (DISD) is changing the end times for Cheek Middle School, located on Denton Way just east of FM 1385 as shown below.

<b><u>Elementary School Hours – PISD</u></b>	<b><u>Start</u></b>	<b><u>End</u></b>
Current	7:42 AM	3:00 PM
New	7:50 AM	3:10 PM
<b><u>Middle School Hours – PISD</u></b>	<b><u>Start</u></b>	<b><u>End</u></b>
Current	8:15 AM	3:30 PM
New	8:20 AM	3:40 PM
<b><u>High School Hours – PISD</u></b>	<b><u>Start</u></b>	<b><u>End</u></b>
Current	8:45 AM	4:10 PM
New	8:50 AM	4:15 PM
<b><u>Cheek Middle School Hours – DISD</u></b>	<b><u>Start</u></b>	<b><u>End</u></b>
Current	8:15 AM	3:35 PM
New	8:15 AM	3:45 PM

Typical hours of operation for school zones are from approximately 30 minutes before to approximately 15 minutes after the start of school and from approximately 15 minutes before to approximately 30 minutes after the end of school. The change this year will require the Town to revise the hours of operation for school zones associated with all PISD campuses, and DISD Cheek Middle School as follows:

<b>Elementary School Hours – PISD (Current)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
7:42 AM to 3:00 PM	7:15 AM to 8:00 AM 2:45 PM to 3:30 PM
<b>Elementary School Hours – PISD (New)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
7:50 AM to 3:10 PM	7:20 AM to 8:05 AM 2:55 PM to 3:40 PM
<b>Middle School Hours – PISD (Current)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
8:15 AM to 3:30 PM	7:45 AM to 8:30 AM 3:15 PM to 4:00 PM
<b>Middle School Hours – PISD (New)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
8:20 AM to 3:40 PM	7:50 AM to 8:35 AM 3:25 PM to 4:10 PM
<b>High School Hours – PISD (Current)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
8:45 AM to 4:10 PM	8:15 AM to 9:00 AM 3:55 PM to 4:40 PM
<b>High School Hours – PISD (New)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
8:50 AM to 4:15 PM	8:20 AM to 9:05 AM 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM
<b>Cheek Middle School Hours – DISD (Current)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
8:15 AM to 3:35 PM	7:45 AM to 8:30 AM 3:20 PM to 4:05 PM
<b>Cheek Middle School Hours – DISD (New)</b>	<b>School Zone Hours</b>
8:15 AM to 3:45 PM	7:45 AM to 8:30 AM 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM

Previously approved deviations from the typical hours of operation include the following:

- Rushing Middle School – PISD (August 25, 2020): – Town Council approved extending the morning and afternoon school zone time along First Street for Rushing Middle School to start at the same time as the start of the morning and afternoon school zone hours for Stuber Elementary. This allows the school zone flashers along First Street to be active when the Stuber Elementary School students are crossing at First Street and Chaucer Drive. The PISD has a crossing guard placed at this intersection.
- Folsom Elementary School – PISD (July 23, 2019): – Town Council approved extending the afternoon school zone time along La Cima Boulevard at Amistad Drive to end 70 minutes after Folsom Elementary ends to allow students walking home from Rogers Middle School additional time to cross La Cima Boulevard. This corresponds to the July 25, 2017, approved deviation along La Cima Boulevard at Arrowhead Drive.
- Folsom Elementary School – PISD (July 25, 2017): – Town Council approved extending the afternoon school zone time on La Cima Boulevard at Arrowhead to end 70 minutes after Folsom Elementary ends to allow students walking home from Rogers Middle School additional time to cross La Cima Boulevard.
- Rogers Middle School – PISD (December 9, 2014): – Town Council approved extending the morning school zone time for Rogers Middle School to start 45 minutes before school due to the significant volume of early pedestrian traffic.

**Budget Impact:**

The cost for the replacement of the school zone time placards is approximately \$2,600 and will be funded by Account Number 15050010-54300 (Public Works Streets - Signs and Hardware), and installed by the Public Works Department.

**Legal Obligations and Review:**

Terrence Welch of Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P., has reviewed the ordinance as to form and legality.

**Attached Documents:**

1. Ordinance

**Town Staff Recommendation:**

Town staff recommends that the Town Council approve an ordinance amending Section 12.09.004 "School Traffic Zones" of Chapter 12 "Traffic and Vehicles" of the Town's Code of Ordinances by modifying the limits and hours of operation of such zone.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move to approve an ordinance amending Section 12.09.004 "School Traffic Zones" of Chapter 12 "Traffic and Vehicles" of the Town's Code of Ordinances by modifying the limits and hours of operation of such zones.