

Sun Meadows HOA:

Jenks Public Schools does not have an opinion, for or against, regarding the installation of speed humps.

The District does have a general practice of evading as many speed humps as possible.

As most are aware, buses have longer wheel-base, stiff suspension, high vehicle weight and adolescent riders who are not typically wearing seat belts (although all buses are equipped with seat belts) -- all of which require drivers to slow almost to a stop to negotiate the devices safely. A series of speed humps will turn seconds of additional route time into minutes, as buses fail to regain cruising speed between the humps. Further, most of the wear to a bus's mechanical components (tires, suspension, brakes, engine and transmission) occurs while getting the vehicle to cruising speed and stopping.

The above-mentioned facts results in most routes seeing some changes where new speed humps are installed. All District bus routes, new or present, will maintain a standard student walking of one-half (.5) of a mile for elementary students and one (1) mile for the upper grades.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Hairrell

Director of Transportation

Jenks Public School District