## **Summer Driving Tips**

**DANVILLE** - Hendricks County Sheriff Brett Clark wants to remind everyone that safe driving is a necessity now that school is out and there will be more children in the community enjoying their summer break.

Motor vehicle operators need to be extra cautious around playgrounds, parks, residential areas, and recreational facilities where children play. Oftentimes children are excited and preoccupied with play. It is our responsibility as drivers to pay special attention for our young people.

Operators are reminded of three safety tips when driving where children are playing:

- 1. Obey the speed limit. If you are driving too fast, it becomes difficult to stop if a child darts into the street in front of you.
- 2. Watch carefully. Although most children have been instructed to stay away from the street, they are not always as careful as they should be.
- 3. Avoid distractions. No matter where you are driving, you should take care to keep your attention focused on the task of operating your vehicle.

Please remember to drive slowly, obey the speed limit, and watch out for our little ones so that we all can have a safe and enjoyable summer.