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STUDENT CHAPTER SESSION

**SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY MANAGEMENT**  
A CASE STUDY IN NAKHON RATCHASIMA




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**Problem Statements**


Year	Number	Percentage
2004	23,407	23.1%
2005	23,184	23.3%
2006	25,411	24.2%
2007	24,979	23.7%

Year	Number	Percentage
2004	27,933	24.3%
2005	656	572
2006	553	23.54
2007	24,188	24.1%


**The number and percentage of injuries and deaths in children under the age of 15 years (2004-2007)**

Source: Bureau of Epidemiology, Ministry of Health (2004-2007)

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**Problem Statements (con't)**

- 1) "School Zone" vulnerable to accidents especially during the time before and after school.
- 2) "Children are not Adults"
- 3) the reason of insecurity of school zone.
  - No. of students
  - The lack of traffic discipline in the use of the students
  - Non-compliance with traffic regulations
  - The lack of careful while driving
  - activities on footpath
  - the lack of traffic sign "school zone"

**The reasons cause of accidents!!!**

★ To protect and reduce all of these problems

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Research Objectives*

- 1) To decrease the accidents in school zone
- 2) Construct the plan to prevent and improve the traffic accident problems
- 3) Raise the standard level of safety in the other communities in Thailand

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Research Procedure*

**School Safety Management**

Conclusion

Data Analysis

Survey & Data collection

- Road Characteristic
- Speed
- No. of people cross street
- Safe gap

Location of research (2 schools in Korat)

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

★ Case studied ★ 2 Schools in Muang District Nakhon Ratchasima

1) **Sukanaree School** Situation: Pho klang Rd.& Jomsurangyard Rd.  
No. of students: 6,700

2) **Tessaban 1 (Burapa wittayakorn) School**  
Situation: Chom Phon Rd.  
No. of students: 5,400

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

★ Road Characteristic ★

Pho klang Rd.

Chom Phon Rd.

**Sukanaree School**

**Tessaban 1 School**

Jomsurangyard Rd.

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

**★ The problems ★**

Side of Jomsurangyard Rd.

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

**★ The problems ★**

Side of Phokrang Rd.

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

**★ Studied of No. pedestrian around crosswalk ★**

"Phoklang Rd." "Jomsurangyard Rd." "Chom phon Rd."

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

**★ Studied of No. pedestrian around crosswalk ★**

Time	Distance from Crosswalk (m)	Number of Pedestrians
07:30-08:30 น. (เช้า)	-40	~10
	0	~95
07:30-08:30 น. (เย็น)	-40	~10
	0	~95
15:30-16:30 น. (เช้า)	-40	~10
	0	~95
15:30-16:30 น. (เย็น)	-40	~10
	0	~95

"Phoklang Rd." Jomsurangyard Rd. Cham Phon Rd.

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**SCHOOL ZONE** **Data Analysis and results**

★ *the factors of using crosswalk* ★

1. The Store/ shop in school zone
2. Parking to drop/ send children outside the area of crosswalk
3. Lack of caution in children
4. No staff/ volunteers to facilitate

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**SCHOOL ZONE** **Data Analysis and results**

★ *The study of spot speed* ★

Select Study Methodology →

1. Determine the issue at hand
2. Does the study require a small or large sample
3. Select the stopwatch, radar meter, or pneumatic road tube method

Select Location →

1. Select the proper location
2. Plan the data collection preparations
3. Select a day
4. Complete the pre-study documentation

Complete Study →

1. Collect the data
2. Evaluate the data
3. Calculate the speed percentiles

Document →

1. Finalize the report
2. File the report
3. Communicate the results

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**SCHOOL ZONE** **Data Analysis and results**

★ *The study of spot speed* ★

1) Sukanaree School Phoklang Rd.

Reference Point	07.20-08.30 u. (bef)	07.20-08.30 u. (aft)	15.30-16.30 u. (bef)	15.30-16.30 u. (aft)	16.30-17.45 u. (bef)	16.30-17.45 u. (aft)
1L-2L	35	25	30	25	15	15
2L-3L	35	25	30	25	15	15
3R-2R	35	25	30	25	15	15
2R-1R	35	25	30	25	15	15

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**SCHOOL ZONE** **Data Analysis and results**

★ *The study of spot speed* ★

2) Sukanaree School Jomsurandyard Rd.

Reference Point	07.20-08.30 u. (bef)	07.20-08.30 u. (aft)	15.30-16.30 u. (bef)	15.30-16.30 u. (aft)	16.30-17.45 u. (bef)	16.30-17.45 u. (aft)
1L-2L	30	25	30	25	20	20
2L-3L	30	25	30	25	20	20
3R-2R	30	25	30	25	20	20
2R-1R	30	25	30	25	20	20

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

★ **The study of spot speed** ★

3) Tessaban 1 School  
Chom Phon Rd.

Speed Percentile 85th

Reference Point

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

★ **Safety Gap** ★

(Minimum Safe Crossing Gap)

$$\text{Min.Safe Gap} = \frac{\text{Street width (ft)}}{\text{Walking Rate (ft/s)}} + 2(N-1) + \text{Perception/Reaction Time}$$

- Street Width (ft) = 13.4 m = 44 ft
- N = Number of Rows in 85th-percentile (5 students per Row)
- Perception/Reaction Time = 3 s
- Walking Rate (Children) = 3.5 ft/s

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *Data Analysis and results*

★ **Safety Gap** ★

Sample size (students)	Frequency			
	07.30-08.30		15.30-16.30	
	Freq.	Cuml. Freq.	Freq.	Cuml. Freq.
3 or < 3	31	31	74	74
4-6	13	44	36	110
7-9	7	51	23	133
10-12	3	54	9	142
13-15	0	54	1	143
16-20	0	54	0	143
21-25	3	57	0	143
26-30	2	59	0	143
31-35	0	59	0	143
> 35	1	60	0	143
85 <sup>th</sup> percentile	51 (7-9 students)		122 (7-9 students)	

Min. Safe Crossing Gap = 18 sec

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *School zone safety management*

Engineering maintenance

Provide knowledge and understanding of traffic safety

Enforcement on traffic regulation

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *School zone safety management*

**★Engineering Maintenance★**

- Should not have obstructions on the footpath.  
- High traffic volumes → needs for infrastructure improvement
- The traffic sign should be improved for ready to use at all times. "School Zone", "Speed Limited", "Crosswalk Sign for pedestrian"
- Instructions from school crossing guards must be obeyed at all times. - ex: traffic police, volunteer etc.
- Avoid providing a parking area near the school crossing zone.
- Traffic calming

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**★Engineering Maintenance★**

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *School zone safety management*

**★Provide knowledge and understanding of traffic safety★**

Additional training, both theoretical and practical about the traffic on a daily basis.

- Safety crossing road
- Awareness in safety for using public transport
- Traffic sign and traffic regulation

Advise parents to control law enforcement around school zone

- parking zone
- Speed limited
- Be prepared to stop if children are in the crosswalk

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**SCHOOL ZONE** *School zone safety management*

**★Enforcement on traffic regulation★**

Should provide the staff forced driver to follow traffic rules strictly

No obstruction from physical features  
Sufficient space to avoid obstruction from the vendors

Parking area

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