

# SCHOOL BUS



Back to school means sharing the road. More than half of public school students in South Carolina begin and end their day with a trip on a school bus.

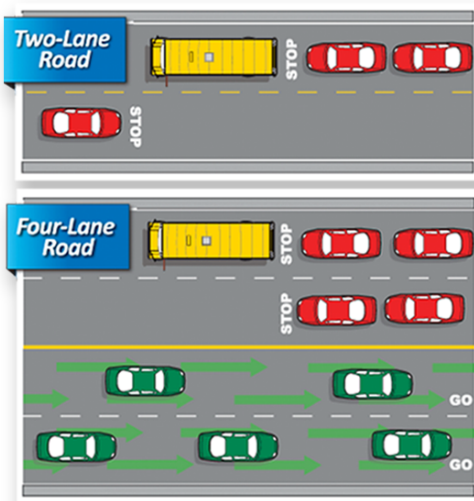
## SC School Bus Laws

- Drivers are required to stop for a stopped school bus when driving on a two-lane road and on a multi-lane highway when traveling in the same direction as the school bus.
- Only proceed once the amber lights are gone, the stop arm is no longer visible, and children are clear of the roadway.
- School buses must stop before crossing any railroad track and may not turn right on a red light.

## Bus Stop Safety

- Make sure your child arrives at least five minutes before the scheduled pick-up time.
- Teach children to avoid running and playing at the bus stop. They must also stay at least six feet away from the curb.
- Teach students to wait for the school bus to come to a complete stop before getting on/off and not to walk behind the bus.

IN SOUTH CAROLINA, DO YOU KNOW WHEN TO...  
**STOP FOR A SCHOOL BUS?**



## Safe Driving Tips

- Be alert as you back out of the driveway.
- When driving in neighborhoods with school zones, watch your speed.
- Watch for children walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood.
- Watch for children playing and congregating near bus stops. Children arriving late for the bus may dart into the street without looking for traffic.

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Back to school is an exciting time!  
Driving with extra caution at peak times  
for school buses can help keep  
everyone safe.

