

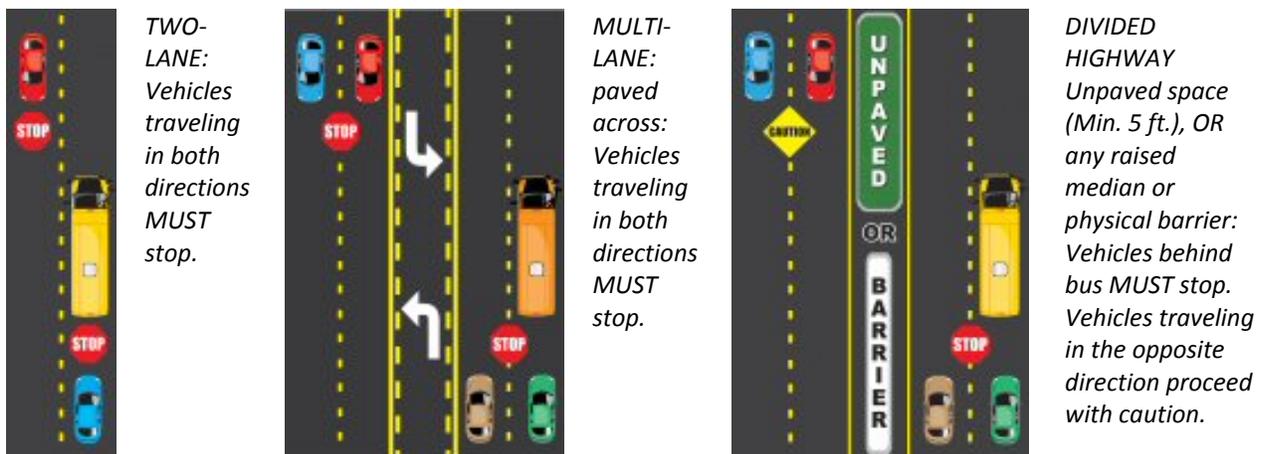


Stop on Red, Kids Ahead

Attention drivers! Do you know when to brake for a big yellow school bus? Even if you're 99 percent sure you know the road rules as they apply to stopping for school buses, it's best not to leave that one percent that you might not know up to chance. It could save you from a crash but more importantly, from striking a child with your vehicle. Let's face it; no one wants that on their conscience.

So what are the road rules regarding stopped school buses on Florida's roadways?

Motorists moving in both directions must stop when approaching a school bus with its lights activated and the stop sign extended. However, on a highway divided by a raised barrier or an unpaved median that is at least five-feet wide, a motorist traveling in the opposite direction of the stopped school bus may proceed with caution. Check out the images below.



National School Bus Safety Week falls on Oct. 22-26 this year. Florida's departments of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Transportation, and Education have teamed up to develop *Stop on Red, Kids Ahead*, a statewide education campaign to remind motorists of the laws and safe practices to take when approaching a school bus. FloridaSchoolBusSafety.gov serves as the information portal for the campaign. It provides graphics, downloadable brochures, a template press release, safety tips, a public service announcement, a short instructional video and much more!

The inconvenience of an extra few seconds spent waiting for a stopped school bus is insignificant compared to the loss of a child's life, so remember... *Stop on Red, Kids Ahead*.

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