



In the next couple of weeks school will be starting across the state in Minnesota. Motorists in the area need to be watchful for our small passengers. When you see a school bus, be alert that children are present, so use extra caution and be aware of the consequences of distracted driving around our vehicles.

Here is the break down of simple rules you need to know to keep children safe this school year:

- Flashing yellow lights mean a bus is going to stop. A driver behind the bus must slow down, prepare to stop, and not attempt to pass the bus. In Minnesota, it is illegal to pass on the right hand (door) side of a bus with either the flashing yellow or red lights.
- When a stop arm is out, every driver, behind the bus or oncoming, must come to a complete stop 20 feet away from the bus. The driver cannot move the vehicle until the stop arm is retracted and the red lights are no longer flashing.

Violators of this law are guilty of a misdemeanor and may be punished with a fine of not less than \$300.

Remember Stop on Red – Kids Ahead!

Thank you for doing your part to keep our kids safe!!

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