



Arizona Revised Statute 28-857 requires the following when approaching a school bus with their stop arm extended:

When approaching a school bus that is picking up or dropping off passengers, you must come to a complete stop before reaching the bus, regardless of your direction of travel. A school bus will have alternating flashing lights and a mechanical stop-sign arm extended while passengers are entering or leaving the bus. You must remain stopped until the school bus moves ahead or until the stop-sign arm and flashing lights are no longer shown. You are not required to stop for a school bus on a divided roadway when traveling in the opposite direction. A divided roadway is one in which the road is separated by physical barriers such as a fence, curbing or separation of the pavement. Roadway striping by itself does not constitute a physical separation of the roadway. **Reference: Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) – Driver License Manual**

Fines (ARS 28-857): A person who is responsible for a violation of subsection A of this section is subject to a civil penalty as follows:

1. The court shall impose a minimum civil penalty of two hundred fifty dollars for the first violation.
2. If a person violates this section a second time within a period of thirty-six months, the court shall impose a minimum civil penalty of seven hundred fifty dollars and shall direct the department to suspend the driver license of the person for not more than six months.
3. If a person violates this section three or more times within a period of thirty-six months, the court shall impose a minimum civil penalty of one thousand dollars and shall direct the department to suspend the driver license of the person for at least six months but not more than one year.

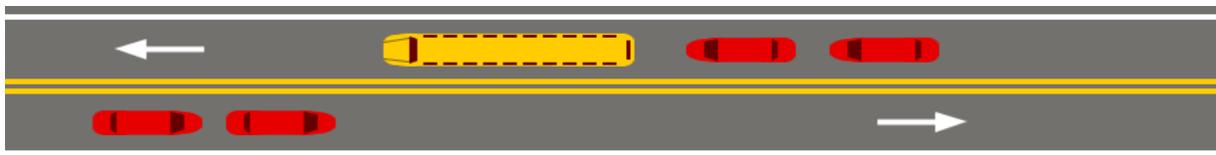
Arizona School Bus Stop Law

Reference: <http://www.mpsaz.org/transportation/stop/>

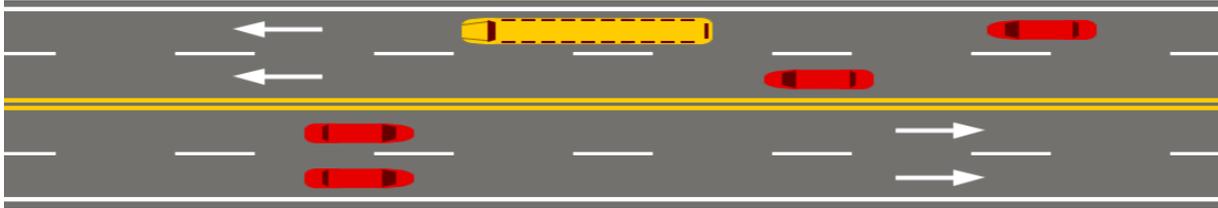
When to Stop

Stop:  Do Not Stop: 

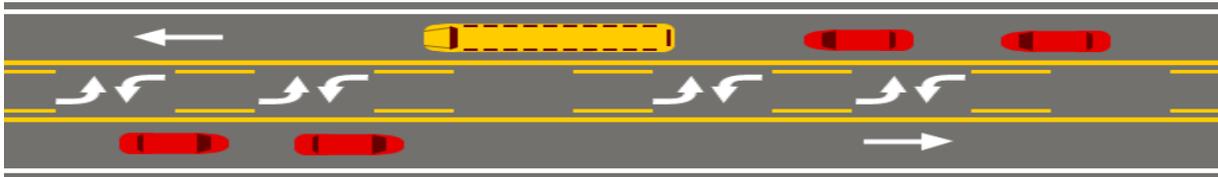
Two lane, two way traffic



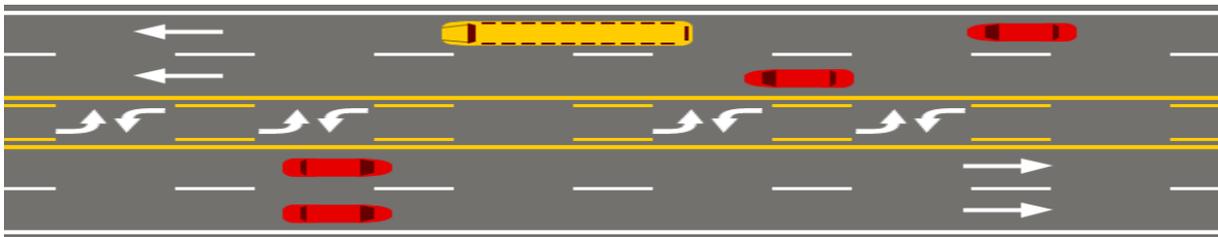
Four lane, two way traffic



Three lane with center turn lane



Five lane with center turn lane



Divided highway with curbed median

