## TRAVEL SAFELY <br> IN OUR COMMUNITY

More than 31,000 Broome County school children are transported in school buses every school day. Motorists are required by law to stop for a stopped school bus with its stop arm extended and lights flashing. Unfortunately, when motorists disregard the law and pass the school bus, they jeopardize the safety of our children putting them in serious danger.

The School Bus Stop-Arm Safety Program is designed to reduce the number of violations and injuries caused by people who disregard the school bus stop arm protecting our children as they board and leave the school bus and cross the road.

## STOP FOR THE

## SCHOOL BUS STOP ARM

School bus drivers in 39 states witnessed over 95,000 vehicles wrongfully passing stopped buses. More than 17 million motorists committed stop-arm violations throughout a 180-day school year according to NASDPTS.

HELP KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE


REMEMBER, RED MEANS STOP!

## INFORMATION RESOURCES

## WHY INSTALL SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ARM CAMERAS?

School bus stop-arm safety cameras ensure our children's safety when getting on or off a bus.

Today, parents have enough reasons to worry about their children's safety - sending them to school should not be one of them. It is illegal and incredibly dangerous for a vehicle to pass a stopped school bus with its stop arm extended and lights flashing.

Broome County is committed to the safety of our children and dedicated to reducing school bus arm violations.

## KNOW THE LAW

NEW YORK STATE MOTOR VEHICLE LAW 1174-A
Section 1174(a), a driver who meets or overtakes a school bus (from either direction) that has stopped to receive or discharge any passengers, and which has at least one flashing red signal lamp, must stop their vehicle before reaching said school bus. The driver must also remain stopped until the bus continues moving or signals for the driver to pass, or until a police officer gives the driver permission to continue.

Public education is the key to making our streets safer for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. Brochures are available at most county offices and district schools or can be downloaded from the Broome County Schools website:
https://www.gobroomecounty.com/e911/Stop-Arm
Check the following websites for more information about school bus safety and other traffic safety issues:

National Coalition for Safer Roads (NCSR)
www.saferroadssavelives.com
National School Transportation Association (NSTA) www.yellowbuses.org
National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS) http://www.nasdpts.org/

American School Bus Council (ASBC) www.americanschoolbuscouncil.org
Operation Stop Arm
www.operationstoparm.info
National Highway for Traffic Safety (NHTSA) www.nhtsa.gov/School-Buses

## KEEP BROOME COUNTY SAFE FOR OUR CHILDREN



KNOW THE LAW!
NEVER PASS A BUS WITH THE STOP ARM EXTENDED
"It is illegal for a vehicle to pass a school bus with its stop arm extended and its lights flashing."

Over a six day period in Fall 2018, six students were killed, six students and two adults were injured in school bus stop arm incidents according to NASDPTS.


A Event Detection and License Plate Cameras
(B) Stop Arm Event Overview Cameras

## HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

Step 1: Video cameras are installed at key locations on the exterior of the school bus.

Step 2: When a school bus extends its stop arm, the system automatically uses radar detection to capture a vehicle passing the stopped bus within the enforced zone.

Step 3: When a vehicle passes the school bus, the cameras record video showing the violating vehicle.
Step 4: The event images extracted from the video include not only the vehicle as it passes the school bus, but also the vehicle's license plate and the extended stop arm of the bus. The video of the vehicle is provided as further evidence of the event.

Step 5: Event data and images are then wirelessly uploaded to Verra Mobility's back-office via a secure VPN for event processing per business rules.

Step 6: Law enforcement personnel review the evidence and determine whether a violation has occured.
Step 7: If law enforcement determines the event is a violation, a notice is issued and mailed to the vehicle owner.

LICENSE PLATE CAMERAS


Heated
Camera Lens $\quad$ Gorilla ${ }^{\oplus}$ Glass


OVERVIEW CAMERA

Overview Camera
IR Illumination


## DVR




## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Where are the school bus safety cameras located?

School bus safety cameras are installed at key locations on the exterior of school buses in designated school districts throughout Broome County.

## What do I do if I receive a notice?

To pay online, go to www.Violationinfo.com and logon with the information provided on the notice. There you can view video of the incident and the images captured.

## How much is the fine and what about my driving record?

The fine amount for a school bus stop-arm safety camera is $\$ 250$ for a first offense, $\$ 275$ for the second within 18 months and $\$ 300$ for subsequent offense in 18 months

## When and where do I stop for a school bus?

The school vehicle is stopped with its alternating red flashing lights activated with the stop sign out and flashing. You should stop at least 20 feet from the front and 20 feet from the rear of the school vehicle.

## Flashing Light System

Amber Flashing Lights: Located on the top of the school vehicle. Their purpose is to warn other motorists of the school vehicle preparing to stop

Red Flashing Lights: Also located on the top of the schoo vehicle. The red flashing lights inform other vehicles to stop.

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When school bus stops for passengers, ALL traffic from both directions must stop.


Roadway divided into two separate directions of travel.

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Undivided roadway with three or more lanes.
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