



Operation Safe Stop

Passing motorists are the second leading cause of student transportation fatalities. Every year 50,000 motor vehicles pass New York State school buses who have their reds flashing. Operation Safe Stop is an effort to publicize and raise the awareness of the dangers of passing a stopped school bus. There are police cars following school buses on routes which have been identified as problem areas. This state wide effort is held each year in October, involving school districts, police agencies, the Governors Traffic Safety Committee, County Traffic Safety Boards, the State Education Department and the Department of Motor Vehicles.



One of the activities of Operation Safe Stop is a press conference including the reenactment of an accident caused by a car passing a school bus. Local police, media, fire departments and ambulances participate in this demonstration to make everyone more aware of the consequences of breaking this law.

