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**OAK HILLS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
RETURN TO SCHOOL GUIDELINES
SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021**

It is an understatement to say that coronavirus has affected nearly every aspect of everyday life, both around the world and across the Oak Hills Local School District. In response, as we reopen our schools, we will put in place health and safety measures to ensure that we follow the PPE and cleaning guidelines in accordance with CDC, Ohio and Hamilton County COVID-19.

HEALTH CHECKS: All staff and students riding on our school buses are required to take their temperature at home before reporting to work or school. Anyone with symptoms (described below) or a temperature above 100 degrees F must stay home. **Symptoms: Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.**

*****IF YOU CHILD HAS A TEMPERATURE, KEEP THEM HOME*****

If your child was out sick due to COVID 19, upon return to school, your child will need to be transported to school by their parent for a wellness check by the nurse before they can return to riding the school bus. Once your child is cleared by the nurse in the a.m., they can ride the bus home in the p.m.

HAND WASHING & SANITIZER: All staff & students will have to wash/sanitize their hands before riding the bus (**sanitizer dispensers will not be installed on our bus**). It is recommended that the students carry their own small bottle with them if needed. Our staff will have their own bottles for them to use while on the bus. Our buildings will have hand sanitizer stations at the entrance of the buildings.

MASKS: All students will be required to wear a mask while on the bus. If your child is unable to wear a mask due to health, breathing issues, or disabilities, please let us know so we can note it on their record. All staff will wear masks or shields while there are students present on the bus.

BUS PROCEDURES: All full-size buses will seat 44 students or less on the bus. The seat directly behind driver will be kept open to protect the driver. The front seat on passenger side will be left open for students who may become sick or new student who do not have an assigned

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seat right away. The buses will be loaded from back to front in the a.m. when picking up students going into school and unloaded from front to back in the p.m. when taking students home. Family members will be seated together when possible. If your child is being transported to a caregiver, we ask they go to the same place for all 5 days of the week. (It can be a different location a.m. or p.m., 5 days per week, but not alternate days of the week). We have set up our routes so the same students that ride the bus in the a.m. ride the same bus home in the p.m. with the same students.

CLEANING PROCEDURE: The buses will be cleaned after each school route on the high touch areas (handrails, seats, doors, etc.) with a sanitizing solution or wipes. The entire bus will be sprayed after the bus gets back to the lot after a.m., mid-day, and p.m. routes. The drivers will wipe down their area after each route before spraying the entire bus. Ventilation is very important while students are on the bus and while the buses are being cleaned.

We are committed to providing a year of health and safety for our students and staff.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact our office at 513-574-2161.

Sincerely,

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