Welcome Aboard

DRIVER AND STUDENT PROTOCOLS FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING DURING PANDEMIC

For buses with monitors on the routes, the monitor will conduct the temperature checks and will provide students with stickers as student disembark.

PRE-TRIP

- All drivers / monitors must always wear a face mask while on the bus. Drivers and monitors should use hand sanitizer each time students board the bus.
- The seat immediately behind the driver will remain without passengers.

LOADING

- Students will practice social distancing while waiting for and approaching the school bus.
• Each bus will be limited to one person per seat or two students from the same household when possible.

• The driver secures the bus in order to conduct temperature checks. The driver / monitor will use the contactless thermometer to scan students’ temperature on the forehead as they board the bus.

• The driver / monitor will confirm the student has the required personal protective equipment (PPE) mask in place. If the student does not have a mask, one is provided. Students not wearing a mask or shield without will not be allowed on the bus.

• Students will be provided with hand sanitizer as they board the bus.

• Students will load from the back to the front.

• The driver will notate on the seating chart where every student has been assigned for contact tracing purposes.

UNLOADING

• Students will unload from the front to the back.

• Students will receive a sticker during the unloading process which will allow the campus to visibly see the student has already been pre-screened for the day.

HIGH TEMPERATURE

• If a student registers a temperature outside of the allowable range equal to or greater than 100.4, during the loading process, the student may not board the bus. The driver must then secure the bus radio dispatch to inform them of the issue providing the students name, ID, and destination campus. (Note: A high temperature does not equate to being COVID positive).
• The dispatcher contacts the parent liaison who will contact the parent or emergency contact to pick up the child at the bus stop location and will deploy a white fleet vehicle (driver designated by the Service Center) to wait with the student.

• The bus driver waits for either the parent or a white fleet vehicle to arrive.

• If after 20 minutes, the parent or emergency contact is not reached, the student is transported home in the white fleet. If there is no one home, the student is transported to the holding area at their home school.

• The parent liaison will send an update of a delay through Bus Bulletin to the parents on the route and will inform the Student Transportation Services Customer Care Manager of situation.

• Once informed of the temperature exception issue, the Customer Care Manager will contact the campus and alert them of the issue providing the campus with the student information.

CLEANING

• All buses will be disinfected after each trip.

• Buses will get a deep clean once a week.

• Buses will be germ blasted every 90 days.