

Transportation Protocol

Before Boarding the Bus:

- All parents/guardians will be required to ensure their child is not experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 prior to boarding the bus, **this includes checking your child's temperature in the morning.**
- Parents should begin to teach students about the importance of social distancing and proper hygiene (washing of hands).
- Parents should ensure students are well according to the school entry guidelines before boarding the bus.
- Stay home if you feel sick.
- When waiting for the bus all students should stay 6 feet apart.
- A mask must be worn **at all times.**
 - While waiting for the bus, when boarding and unboarding the bus, and for the duration of the bus ride.
 - If a child is unable medically to wear a mask, please contact the transportation office.
 - For any student without a mask, ask the bus driver if they have any extra masks on board.

When boarding the Bus:

- Rear seats should be filled first.
- There will be assigned seating to aid in contact tracing.
- One student per seat, unless they are siblings.
- Bus runs will be checked daily (for contact tracing) and annotate students that have not ridden for at least 2-3 days home to school routes.

While Riding on the Bus:

- Bus drivers and monitors must wear masks at all times.
- School buses will **NOT** be equipped with hand sanitizer, so we recommend students have personal hand sanitizers.
- Windows/top hatch will be open, weather permitting to allow proper fresh air circulation.
- Have the same driver/monitor/same bus to minimize mixing when possible.
- Masks are to be worn for the duration of the trip.
- Monitors will assist in social distancing guidelines when possible.

Arriving to School:

- Monitors will assist students as they deboard the bus, beginning with the seats in the front.
- Drivers will conduct pre and post inspections to clean high use areas of the bus.

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Special Education Students:

- Using large buses with limited capacity for students who may not be able to maintain social distancing and the use of face masks due to Co-2 concerns/breathing issues/behavioral issues.
- Monitor will assist in social distancing guidelines when possible.
- Wheelchairs will be placed 6 feet apart to ensure social distancing.
- Monitors who have direct physical contact with students must wear gloves.

Cleaning and Disinfecting of the buses as per First Student

(<https://firststudentinc.com/wp-content/uploads/Bus-Disinfection-One-Pager-8-26-2020-Update.pdf>)

- First Student employees will clean and disinfect the buses. First Student employees will use the product manufacturer's recommended PPE (personal protective equipment) to minimize their exposure to disinfectants, including:
 - Safety glasses with eye shields .
 - Cloth face cover or disposable mask.
 - Non-slip shoes.
 - Splash goggle (where applicable)
 - Disposable gloves (where applicable)
- Disinfection Process
 - Battery powered backpack sprayers will be used to apply disinfectant to the interior of buses.
 - Disinfectant will be applied uniformly on seat tops, the seat's front and back, bus handrails and window latches.
 - First Student's best practice for bus disinfection is using a front-to-back and then back-to-front application.
- First Student's cleaning products

1. Zoono-Z71™ Antimicrobial

First Student's antimicrobial option is Zoono-Z71™. We selected Zoono-Z71™ because it provides strong, long-lasting antimicrobial protection against a range of bacteria, viruses and pathogens.

Zoono is different because when applied, it leaves behind a molecular layer that bonds to surfaces. These molecules form a barrier of microscopic spikes that (through ionic action of negatively and positively charged particles) attract and pierce pathogens.

2. Signet®Neutral Disinfectant DS1

If the district prefers daily disinfection, First Student has chosen Signet®Neutral Disinfectant DS1 due to its non-corrosive effect on school buses. The solution is an EPA-registered disinfectant, that is bactericidal, virucidal, fungicidal and meets the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen standard for decontamination of blood and bodily fluids.