



## **Transportation Protocols 20-21**

Below are some specific processes relevant to transportation during COVID-19. These can also found with in the full Upper Perkiomen School District Health & Safety Plan:

- Parents/Guardians are expected to screen for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 at home before sending students to school.
  - Bus drivers will not be taking temperatures or screening students prior to boarding the bus.
- Social distancing at the bus stop is encouraged where feasible.
- Limit students on buses and vans to two (2) students to a seat with the requirement that all individuals wear face coverings while on the bus.
  - Exceptions to wearing a mask are limited to medically necessity and require documentation.
- Students are required to face forward while on the bus (not backward or sideways).
  - Signs to remind students will be posted on the buses.
- Seats on the bus will be filled back to front to avoid face to face exposure.
  - Seats will be assigned. Further distancing will be done where feasible.
- Students from the same family will sit together on the bus.
- No parents/guardians or school staff will be permitted on the bus, unless there is an emergency.
- In the event a student is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 at home and/or a student tests positive, the parents/guardians will immediately notify our office directly.
- Staff and students must notify our office if an absence is COVID-19 related.
- Schools shall have hand sanitizer available upon entry and departure of their building.
  - Buses will not be equipped with hand sanitizer due to federal regulations regarding alcohol content.
- Bus seats and handrails will be disinfected after each run
- Buses will be deep sanitized weekly or biweekly
- Roof vents will be fully open for ventilation and every third window will be partially open, weather permitting.

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