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Critical Area of Operation #3 – Transportation

Appendix C includes the locally developed protocols addressing or exceeding the anticipated minimum standards as required by the NJDOE Guidance and referenced in the Board's Plan – Section A.1.c., including, but not limited to:

- a. Student Transportation and Social Distancing on School Buses
 - ✓ Students riding school buses will be required to wear a face covering.
 - ✓ Bus drivers will be required to wear a face covering. Transportation Assistants will be required to wear a mask and will be provided with a shield.
 - ✓ Social distancing procedures will be followed on school buses to the greatest extent possible.
 - ✓ Students who live in the same home will be assigned seats next to each other to maximize capacity and reduce spread of disease outside of family units.
 - ✓ Students will be loaded from the back of the bus to the front of the bus and unloaded in reverse whenever possible.
 - ✓ All students will be required to sit in an assigned seat. No exceptions.
 - ✓ The bus driver will be required to reinforce students to wear their face covering and maintain proper social distancing,
 - ✓ The bus driver will be required to maintain an updated seating chart for each run they are responsible for.
 - ✓ Parents are being encouraged to waive their seat on the bus in order to assist with social distancing.
 - ✓ After the AM runs are complete, the buses will be sanitized.
 - ✓ After the PM runs are complete, the buses will be sanitized.
 - ✓ Every evening, the transportation department will use an EPA approved disinfectant with a longer dwelling time to sanitize buses.
 - ✓ There will be a hand sanitizer dispenser properly secured on each bus. The driver will require each student to use the hand sanitizer when entering the bus and may also use hand sanitizer when exiting the bus.
 - ✓ The bus driver will have the windows open on the bus to allow for air circulation. (weather permitting)

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- ✓ The Transportation Manager or designee will communicate with Special Education/Student Services Administration when additional information relative to ADA compliance must be considered.
 - ✓ The Transportation Manager or designee will remain in close communication with building Administration and/or building level nurse relative to medically fragile students who are unable to wear a face covering (with medical documentation).

b. Parent Drop-off/Pick-up

- ✓ Parents and guardians are being encouraged by the district to waive their student's seat on the bus and transport their student to and from school.
- ✓ School based drop-off and pick-up procedures will be communicated by each Principal regarding variations in drop off and pick up procedure.