



SAFE SERVICE NOW

School Bus

COVID-19 Safe School Bus Checklist

Route, Schedule, Vehicle Assignment

- Route designed to avoid overcrowding and permit social distancing, including “seat[ing] one student per row, skip rows” as recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Schedule allows for adequate time for full pre-trip inspection and deal safely with boarding issues, especially for routes with students who use wheelchairs (or similar mobility devices).
- Vehicle assignments limit rotation of workers among vehicles to minimize cross contamination.

Vehicles

- Vehicle properly cleaned and disinfected in accordance with ATU checklist. [\(PDF\)](#)
- Fresh air vents and blowers work fully, properly functioning windows and air settings properly set to reduce risk of aerosol transmission. [\(PDF\)](#)
- HVAC works fully, and properly filters and sanitizes air to reduce risk of aerosol transmission. [\(PDF\)](#)
- Barrier to protect driver from saliva spray (respiratory droplets) and aerosol transmission.

Before Leaving Garage

- Adequate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for driver and monitor [\(PDF\)](#) and training on use and proper fit.
- Training on proper protocol for removing vehicles from service and isolating operator and passengers after potential exposure events.
- Adequate masks for students who do not have their own.

While on Route

- Safety rules clearly stated and explained to students.
- Vehicle operator and passengers all wearing masks (unless disability prevents wearing of mask).
- Disposable gloves and face shield on when in close contact with student, such as assisting with boarding or securing wheelchair. After contact dispose of gloves in provided container and use hand sanitizer.
- Deal politely with students or parents or other guardians who violated safety rules; contact dispatch with problems.
- Report to dispatch any reports by students of infection with COVID-19.