



2020-21 SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION REMINDERS

We are looking forward to having our students back in the buildings. This year has been quite a challenge developing [bus routes](#) to match the phases and cohorts. Please be patient as we work through any transportation issues that may arise during the reopening of school. If you have any transportation questions, please contact Deb Burkott, Transportation Coordinator, (413) 685-1016/dburkott@grsd.org

In order to ensure the safety of all students, parents, and staff, here are a few reminders directly related to transportation.

Parents should prescreen their children for symptoms prior to sending their children to school. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. If your child has any of these symptoms, please keep them home from school. Symptoms include but are not limited to:

- Fever or chills
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Muscle or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Cough
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Diarrhea

Students must wear masks on the bus at all times.

(Bandanas and gaiters are not acceptable).

Students not wearing a mask, will not be able to board the bus.*



Students are to practice social distancing at all times – at the bus stop, boarding and exiting the school bus, and entering the school building.

There will be one student per seat on the bus. (Students from the same household may sit together)

Due to limited seating on buses (i.e. 25 students permitted on a 77 passenger bus) related to COVID guidelines:

- Incoming school choice students will need to be transported by their parent/guardian.
- Day care transportation will not be provided unless the daycare is located on the same route as the student's regular bus route.
- Parents will be required to provide transportation for students living 2 miles or less from the school.

*Except for those that qualify to not wear a mask under medical or other documented issues.