



Rainy River District

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES CONSORTIUM

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

As we prepare to return to in class learning, we would like to take this opportunity to stress to everyone the importance of a few safety measures for riding the school bus. Parents/guardians are required to screen their children each morning prior to sending them to the bus stop for school.

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Respiratory and hand hygiene are critical mitigation strategies that limits the transmission of viruses. Cough and sneeze into your elbow. Students are encouraged to wash their hands thoroughly and/or use hand-sanitizer prior to going to the bus stop, and then sanitizing their hands again (using their hand-sanitizer) before boarding the bus.

We ask that parents discuss the importance of wearing a proper face covering while riding the school bus. It is **mandatory** that students in Grades 4-12 wear a face covering while riding the school bus. Although it is not mandatory for students in grades JK-3 to wear a face covering it is highly recommended and encouraged. If a student in Grade 4-12 is not wearing a proper face covering, they will be denied access to school bus transportation that morning or afternoon. Parents will be contacted to pick up their child. Again, we urge parents to ensure their children are aware that wearing a face covering is required for the entire duration of the trip to/from school. Infractions will result in a Student Behavior Report submitted to their school principal to carry out the appropriate consequence.

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In addition to face coverings, students riding on all school buses within the District have been assigned designated seats. The seating plans are designed in accordance with guidelines from the Northwestern Health Unit. It is important students remain in their assigned seats only.

MANAGER

Nikki Armstrong

These measures are just some of the simple yet effective tools that can help in the fight against COVID-19. Our goal at the Rainy River District Transportation Services Consortium has always been to ensure safe transportation to and from school on a daily basis. Please keep in mind that reducing COVID-19 risk of transmission is everyone's responsibility.

Stay Safe. Stay Healthy. Wear a Face Covering.

For more school bus transportation COVID-19 protocols please visit our website at https://rrdtsc.rrdsb.com/return_to_school

Yours in transportation,

Shaun Egan
Transportation Officer