

# BUS RIDING SAFETY MEASURES

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## PG. 2

Bus Safety, Cleaning, Seating,  
Ventilation

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## PG. 3

Yellow Bus Diagram for Seating  
Capacity

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Special Education Transportation

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## PG. 5

Transportation Contact Notification



## COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

### DESE GUIDANCE IMPLEMENTED

This protocol document identifies the measures Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School has implemented in direct response to health measures during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Specific requirements and roles are covered specifically for easy reference.



# BUS COMPANY RESPONSIBILITIES

## FIRST STUDENT YELLOW BUSES

First Student is the largest yellow school bus transportation provider in North America with over 43,000 buses nationwide. As an industry leader they are committed to the health and safety of students and staff members alike.

Protocols in place meet the Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) guidance for safe transportation during the health pandemic.

**Health/Safety** – Bus drivers will be screened for temperature checks at the start of their shift and wear face masks/coverings during all student loading and unloading times. Students will be required to wear face masks/coverings to enter/exit the bus and ride (disposable masks will be available from the driver if needed).

**Distancing** - Students will be seated *no more than* one student per bench, alternating sides for each row, which allows students to maintain approximately 3 feet of physical distance. Sibling children from the same household may sit together and in closer proximity (e.g., two students per bench)

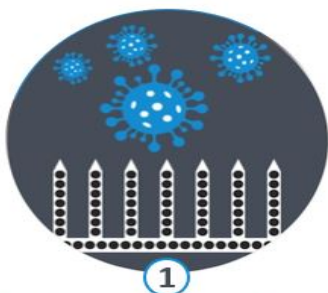
**Ventilation** - Keep windows open at all times during operation (approximately 1-2 inches) unless not possible due to extreme weather conditions.

**Cleaning** – Bus benches will be disinfected after every service with 3M disinfecting cleaner and a monthly Zoono-271 misting for additional virus blocking protection.

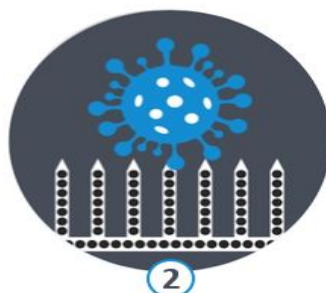
<https://firststudentinc.com/wp-content/uploads/Start-Safe-Program-Parent-One-Pager.pdf>

Checking for symptoms each morning by families and caregivers, before students arrive at the bus stop is critical, anyone experiencing symptoms should stay home!

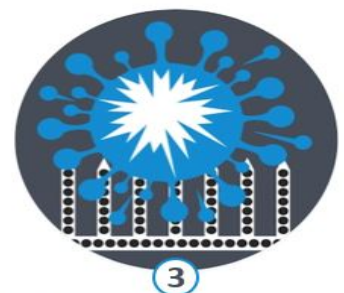
## How Zoono-Z71™ Destroys Viruses



1 The long lasting shield attracts pathogens



2 Pathogen makes contact with treated surface



3 Pathogen ruptures on contact with surface





# SPECIAL EDUCATION VANS

## VAN POOL TRANSPORTATION

Van Pool is our new Out of District and In-district Special Education transportation provider beginning July 1, 2020. “The health and safety of students and passengers we transport, as well as that of our employees, is our primary concern.” Protocols in place meet (DESE) guidance for safe transportation during the health pandemic. <https://www.vanpoolma.com/parents-families/>

**Health/Safety** – Bus drivers will be screened for temperature checks at the start of their shift and wear face masks/coverings during all student loading and unloading times. Students will be required to wear face masks/coverings to enter the bus and ride, (disposable masks will be available from the driver if needed). ***LS must provide Van Pool with a list of students who are not required to wear masks or face coverings for whom it is not safe to do so due to age, medical condition, or other health or safety considerations.*** \*Face shields may be an option for students with medical, behavioral, or other challenges who are unable to wear masks.

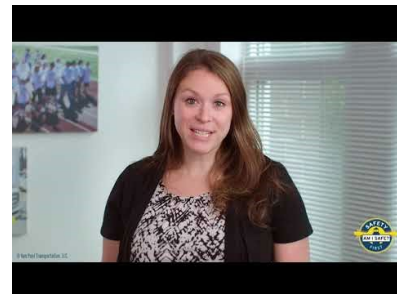
**Distancing** - Students will be seated based on the specific van seating configuration which allows students to maintain approximately 3 feet of physical distance. Sibling children from the same household may sit together and in closer proximity (e.g., two students per bench)

**Ventilation** - Keep windows open while transporting students and passengers. If it is not possible nor comfortable to open windows, the vehicle operator will set the ventilation system to high and not recirculate conditioned air.

**Cleaning** – High-touch areas of the van will be cleaned after every service with disinfecting cleaner.

**Van/Vehicle Capacity** – See attached document which includes diagram model samples of various vehicles to be used for LS.

[Am I Safe COVID-19 Seating Configurations.pdf](#)



Helpful video for protocols in place with Van Pool Transportation.



# LINCOLN-SUDBURY CONTACTS

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**TO REPORT A SICK CHILD THAT WILL NOT BE ATTENDING SCHOOL PLEASE CALL:**

Main Office Absence line 978.443.9961

**TO REPORT BUS CONCERNS PLEASE CALL:**

Yellow Bus – First Student Dispatch 978.443.8631

Special Education Van Pool Transportation – Dispatch 774.322.1004

METCO Bus Service – Dispatch 617.427.1545 (ext. 115)

Athletic Late Runs – Art Reilly 413.464.1419

