



Dear BFCS Families,

At Benjamin Franklin Charter School, our Transportation Department is deeply committed to providing a safe environment for our students and drivers when it comes to lowering the risk of contracting COVID-19. To protect our students, staff, and families from the spread of the Coronavirus, we have established the following mitigation plan:

1. Enhanced Bus Cleaning and Sanitizing
  - Daily sanitizing after both morning and afternoon routes – Drivers will wipe and sanitize all surface areas including seat bottoms and backs, door handle, rails and driver area. SDS (Safety Data Sheet) of the sanitizing disinfectant product being used is available upon requests.
  - Intensified weekly deep cleaning of all surfaces inside our buses
  - Purell Hand sanitizers are available on each bus
2. Mask Up – all riders and drivers are required to wear masks.
  - Put on masks before boarding the bus
  - Wear masks properly to cover both mouth and nose
  - Keep mask on while on the bus
3. Physical Distancing
  - All riders must sit apart from one another (one person per seat with assigned seating), with the exception of family members who will be seated together
  - Stay at least 6 feet away from each other while waiting for the bus, loading the bus, and unloading the bus. Students sitting in the back should be the first to board the bus; and front rows should be the first to get off the bus.
  - No shaking hands, hugging or touching of any kind

We have posted signs on each bus to remind everyone to please stay home if you or your child is sick or symptomatic. During this unprecedented time, we are committed to taking the necessary precautions in order to protect you and your family. As this pandemic is an ever changing situation, we will continue to follow CDC guidelines and make adjustments accordingly. We thank you in advance for keeping our students, staff, faculty, and families safe.