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TRAFFIX Notice and Acknowledgment to Return to Bus Service

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

As TRAFFIX prepares to welcome back students for bus service, we continue to monitor safety requirements and recommendations from the Contra Costa County Health Officer, and have developed protocols and processes to help ensure the safety of our students, staff, and visitors for the anticipated return to on-campus education in these unusual times. The safety of our staff and students remains our primary focus. Any person entering a TRAFFIX bus or attending **must follow all safety protocols**, including those summarized below. These protocols may change and evolve as TRAFFIX continues to receive new information from local, state and federal authorities and as we learn what practices are most effective.

While we are following public health guidance to protect our students and mitigate all risks, an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 continues to exist in any place where people are present. Given the contagious nature of COVID-19, the District cannot guarantee that you will not be exposed to the virus while on District property, even with the safety measures in place. **By entering a TRAFFIX bus, you are acknowledging that the inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists, and you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.**

Please read through this information, in its entirety, and **contact your student's site principal if you have any questions**. You are required to review this Acknowledgment Form and return it to TRAFFIX signed, for your student to ride a TRAFFIX bus. We are working hard to protect you and everyone in the midst of this pandemic, so it is essential that everyone does their part to protect one another. It will take all of us working together to keep our buses safe, which is why we refer to this process as **"Reopening Together."**

Mask Requirement for Students On the Bus and Waiting for the Bus

FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS to return to TRAFFIX Bus Route, unless exempt, as noted below:

- Students must be sent on the bus every day with either a reusable cloth mask or a disposable surgical-type mask.
- Students must be sent on the bus every day with a back-up mask in case their mask becomes soiled, broken, or lost. School sites will have a limited supply of extra masks if one is needed.
- Masks must be worn on the face as designed for coverage of mouth and nose.
- Exemptions to mask wearing may exist and apply for students with medical or mental health conditions because of a special circumstance as determined by TRAFFIX shall instead be asked to wear an or a disability that would impede them from properly wearing or handling a mask, or when it would inhibit communication with a person who is hearing impaired. Individuals who cannot wear a mask

appropriate or prescribed alternative facial covering if feasible. Please contact your site principal for further guidance and to discuss potential exemptions.

- ***Students who forget or refuse to wear a face covering will be provided a face covering. If a student, unless otherwise exempt, refuses to wear a face covering, access to all on-campus school buildings, facilities, grounds and activities will be denied. The student will be removed from on-campus learning and placed in a remote learning assignment unless otherwise exempt.***

Daily Self-Screening and Symptom Check

ALL STUDENTS and re required to take a self-screening assessment/questionnaire and do a symptom check every day before entering TRAFFIX Buses. Younger children or those individuals who require assistance should be assisted by their Parent/Guardian.

The following assessment/questionnaire must be reviewed, answered and completed daily by students and families before a student enters a TRAFFIX Bus.

You do not need to submit anything to your school site verifying completion of the daily assessment/questionnaire. Your honesty is expected as we all work together to create a safe environment.

IF A STUDENT ANSWERS YES TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS BELOW, THEY MAY NOT COME ON THE BUS:

- Have you had a temperature at or above 100.4° or reason to be concerned you may be developing a fever?
- Have you experienced a new cough that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Have you experienced a new shortness of breath that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Have you experienced a new sore throat that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Have you experienced new muscle aches that you cannot attribute to another health condition or a specific activity, such as physical exercise?
- Have you experienced any chills that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
- Have you experienced a new loss of taste or smell?
- Have you experienced any new nausea, vomiting, and /or diarrhea?
- Have you had close contact, with someone who is currently sick with suspected or confirmed COVID-19? (Note: Close contact is defined as within 6 feet for more than 15 consecutive minutes.)
- Have you received a positive test result for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?
- Do you currently have or are suspected of having COVID-19?

Any student who, while on campus begins exhibiting any sign or symptom of COVID-19, an upper respiratory illness, or other related symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea will need to stay home. (Education Code sections 48210-48214, 49451) It is possible that the student will need to remain home for 10-14 days depending on the outcome of a medical provider consultation and public health guidelines. In accordance with public health guidance, in order to return to school a student will need to (1) have no fever, without medication, for 24 hours and provide written proof of a negative COVID-19 test or other official form of COVID-19-free medical clearance from a medical provider, or (2) choose to stay home for 10 days.

Hand Hygiene

Hand hygiene, including either washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or if soap and water is unavailable, use of hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol **must** be performed at the following times, as feasible:

- Before boarding the bus
- Before putting on or taking off masks or other PPE,
- Before and after using or touching frequently touched surfaces,
- After coughing or sneezing

Physical Distancing

Students are expected to maintain 4 to 6 feet of physical distancing from each other to the greatest extent possible. Drivers will be maintaining 6 feet physical distancing from students to the greatest extent possible. Students are expected to utilize and adhere to visual cues, such as the seat assignment numbers, to aid in physical distancing.

Students will be expected to enter the bus and maintain 4 to 6 feet physical distancing from other students. Students are also expected to adhere to the physical distancing requirement of 4 to 6 feet while exiting the bus.

Positive COVID-19

If a student or member of a student’s household tests positive for COVID-19, the family must notify the TRAFFIX within 24 hours. Notification shall be provided to the TRAFFIX Administrative Coordinator at 925-866-8736. Please leave a message if the call is otherwise not picked-up by a staff member. The student may not return to the bus except as indicated above.

Student and Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

By signing below, Student and Parent/Guardian (“We”) acknowledge they have read and understand the contents of this notice.

Student and Parent/Guardian agree to abide by all procedures and protocols in this notice, which may change over time as circumstances change.

Student and Parent/Guardian have been advised of certain inherent risks involved with on-campus learning during the COVID-19 pandemic that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries or illness to Student and/or Parent/Guardian during this public health crisis. Student and Parent/Guardian acknowledge and assume the risk of such injury or illness.

Parent/Guardian signatures below indicate that Parent/Guardian has read, understands, and agrees to abide by these procedures and protocols at all times, and that Parent/Guardian has shared this notice with, and/or read this notice to, Student.

We, _____, have read the **TRAFFIX Notice and**
(NAME OF STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN)

Acknowledgment for Return to Bus Service. We understand that any Parent/Guardian or Student who fails to follow the above outlined safety procedures and protocols may be denied access to all TRAFFIX Buses and Routes. Further, we understand that a signature below is a condition of a Student riding a TRAFFIX bus for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year, unless otherwise exempted. If you have a question whether an applicable exemption applies to you, please contact the TRAFFIX Administrative Coordinator for further information.

 Parent/Guardian Signature Date