

**WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL SCHOOL TRANSPORT  
COVID-19 NEW CODE OF CONDUCT  
PARENTS GUIDANCE**

**1. Code of Conduct**

All parents are to sign a new code of conduct before their children can travel. It shall (a) be a parental responsibility to ensure learners do not travel if anyone in the household is symptomatic in which case the learner(s) shall stay isolated for the prescribed 14 days; and (b) to acknowledge a zero-tolerance for poor behaviour on transport (to include circumstances where a learner fails to follow instructions given).

- 2.1. Parents will sign a revised code of conduct and declaration on behalf of their children. On public health grounds, there shall be a zero-tolerance policy regarding behaviour, seating and distancing on learner transport, including at stops and the boarding and alighting of passengers. This shall include the immediate barring of learners who fail to comply with expectations.
- 2.2. Where a member of a household displays covid-19 symptoms, they shall ensure that their children do not use learner transport for a period of 14 days. Where the driver picks up at the home location, the driver shall specifically ask a parent to confirm that there are no symptomatic residents in the household.
- 2.3. All learners shall wash their hands thoroughly in accordance with guidance before leaving their home for the learner transport journey.
- 2.4. Driver is to secure the vehicle and step off prior to learners boarding, observing Social Distancing requirements at all times.
- 2.5. The loading sequence on the inward journey to school will be from the back to the front of the vehicle, learners to be seated in allocated seats which will be supervised by the driver.
- 2.6. The loading sequence on the return journey learners will board the vehicle in reverse order ensuring they are seated in their allocated seat. This will be supervised by the school and the driver.
- 2.7. If a child becomes symptomatic at school, including during the period immediately after the final bell (i.e. before boarding a learner transport vehicle), learners shall not board the vehicle. Instead, schools shall invoke their own policies for virus containment and deal with the learner without their boarding a vehicle.
- 2.8. If a child is symptomatic or is presented to the vehicle [coughing, sneezing, runny nose etc] drivers/escort are to refuse access to transport.
- 2.9. For non-service buses or for vehicles without an appropriately sealed screen, should operators deem it appropriate, having secured their vehicle, drivers may leave their cab to wait 6' 6" (2m) outside the vehicle while learners board and alight. This is recommended.
- 2.10. PM journey, students are to board vehicle in reverse order starting from the back to the front sitting in the allocated seat.