## Memorandum of Understanding between Mercer Island Education Association ("MIEA") and Mercer Island School District ("District") Regarding

## Transportation COVID-19 Protocols

Consistent with its commitment to safeguarding the health and safety of staff, students, and community, the District shall follow Department of Health (DOH) and L&I guidance with respect to its transportation services.

Accordingly, absent contrary guidance, the District will adopt practices to maximize physical distancing on its school buses to the extent practical. Staff and students are required to properly wear the appropriate face coverings while on the bus. Drivers will be provided PPE consistent with the L&I guidance.

The District will employ strategies for loading and seating designed to keep riders as far apart as practical. Students will not be seated closer than three (3) feet to drivers. The parties recognize that this may mean the first bench of the bus behind the driver is left vacant.

Drivers will continue to be provided with a roster of students assigned to their bus for elementary and middle school routes. The District will document riders on high school routes for the purposes of facilitating contact tracing, the District will continue to explore ways to upload the bus assignments into Skyward in addition to Versa Trans (bus route software).

Students will be encouraged to wash or sanitize their hands when they leave their home or classroom immediately before boarding the bus.

## **Bus Hygiene**

- Buses will have a small (3.5 oz) bottle of hand sanitiser to be sparingly used.
- A box of masks on each bus will be available for students who arrive without a face covering (students who did not arrive with a face covering will be reported to the school for family follow-up).

This is a non-precedent setting Agreement and will expire on August 15, 2022.

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