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## **COVID-19 Precautionary Measures**

## Dear Student Driver:

AAA's interest in teen driver safety extends beyond low-risk driving to students' personal health, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. To ensure the health and safety of our students and staff, AAA is implementing precautionary measures, based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). These safety measures support our ongoing efforts to deliver quality driver education in the safest environment possible.

You are receiving this because you are scheduled to complete classroom instruction and/or BTW training with us.

## **STUDENT: PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES**

Prior to each class and driving lesson, students should conduct a basic symptom assessment to ensure they are free of COVID-19 related symptoms as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This includes symptoms screening and temperature check (100.3° and below is an acceptable temperature range). According to the CDC, symptoms may include: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. Anyone exhibiting symptoms will confidentially be asked to return home.

If you are experiencing any of the symptoms listed above, please notify the school immediately. We will work with you to reschedule your class or driving lesson. We will NOT impose financial penalties (reschedule fees) for cancellations due to COVID-19.

We are requesting that students confirmed positive with COVID-19 within 14 days after a class or driving lesson notify AAA Driver Education of their diagnosis to assist with contact tracing efforts and keep our school and staff safe.

- In accordance with The City of Worthington mask mandate and <u>CDC guidelines for masks</u>, students are required to wear a face mask that covers the nose and mouth whenever inside the AAA building and throughout their driving lesson. Use of neck gators, bandanas and face masks with exhalation valves are not acceptable.
- Students must wash or sanitize their hands prior to and after driving lessons.
  Hand sanitizer and hand washing facilities will be available for students. In addition, students will be asked to spray or wipe down the vehicle steering wheel and other surfaces after each driving lesson.
- Students must maintain social distancing among other students arriving/waiting for classes or driving lessons to start and upon completion of class or driving lessons. Seating will be available in a socially distanced arrangement inside the classroom.
- **Students should dress in layers** for driving lessons as the instructor is required to leave front and/or rear windows partially down throughout your driving lesson.

## **DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES**

- Instructors are required to conduct daily health assessments prior to each lesson to ensure they are free of COVID-19 related <u>symptoms as outlined by the CDC</u> (see symptoms list above).
- Instructors confirmed positive with COVID-19 will notify students they have taught in class or driven during the previous 14 days of their diagnosis.
- Instructors will wash or sanitize hands before and after each class and driving lesson. Encourage bathroom breaks during class for proper handwashing.
- In accordance with The City of Worthington mask mandate and <u>CDC guidelines for masks</u>, instructors are required to wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth whenever inside the AAA building, interacting with families and throughout driving lessons (use of neck gators, bandanas and face masks with exhalation valves are not acceptable).
- During driving lessons, only the student and instructor will be allowed in the vehicle at the same time.
- Instructors will follow and enforce vehicle cleaning protocols before, between, and after each class and driving lesson, and use disinfectant wipes to wipe down vehicles according to AAA cleaning checklist.
- During driving lessons, instructors will leave front and/or rear windows partially down throughout the lesson. Instructors may operate the air conditioning with the windows open (not Max air conditioning or the recirculation feature). Instructors will avoid using the air recirculation feature inside vehicle.

Strict adherence to these safety protocols will help us deliver quality driver education in the safest environment possible – and we need your support and cooperation to make this happen. We expect 100% compliance from students and instructors in all areas noted above.

At AAA we are committed to providing excellent service while ensuring the health and safety of our students and instructors. As you continue through your lessons, should you have any comments or concerns about our safety protocols or your lessons in general, please feel free to reach out to us at <a href="mailto:DriverEducation@aaaohio.com">DriverEducation@aaaohio.com</a>. We value student and parent/guardian feedback.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Your AAA Driver Education Team