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TO: All Parents

SUBJECT: Back Packs

The Pennridge School District Transportation Department has safety concerns about back packs that students are using for school. When parents are choosing back packs, please keep the following thoughts in mind:

- The student must be able to place the back pack on their laps
- The student must be able to walk down the aisle without having contact with other students with their back pack. The average width of the aisle is 16 inches wide
- Key chains and other items must not be hanging from book bags
- All items carried in back pack, **must** stay in the back pack for the duration of the ride

It is very important that nothing is hanging from book bags to cause the student to become attached to the hand rail, hit other students with the hanging items as they are walking down the aisle to cause injury, hit seat backs with these items to cause damage to the seats and other safety issues that can occur.

We thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.