The new sickness COVID-19, also known as the “coronavirus,” has changed our lives.
Most importantly, it has changed how we do many things.
Because of COVID-19, riding the school bus may be different this year too.
Just like at the store, when we ride the school bus, we will have to wear face masks.
Remember, we wear face masks to keep germs away and to keep others from getting sick.
People look different when they wear masks. You might not recognize your bus driver or friends. You can’t see their smile.
When you are at the bus stop, you and your friends should stand 6 feet apart to keep germs from spreading.

Standing far apart is called “Social Distancing.”
Before or after you get on the bus someone might take your temperature.

That’s because some people who are sick have a fever.
Remember to stand far apart when you line up to get on the bus too.
You will need to take turns getting on the bus, one at a time. Walk slowly so you don’t fall.
Your bus driver may be behind a plastic barrier.

A barrier helps protect you from germs. The barrier keeps you and the bus driver safe.
There may be an adult on the bus that shows you where to sit or gives you hand sanitizer.
When you sit down, you may not be able to sit next to a friend. You may be asked to sit far apart to keep germs from spreading.
It is very important that you listen to directions from the bus driver and other adults on the bus.

Following rules helps us to be safe and stay healthy.
These changes may seem odd at first but are important so that we can keep everyone healthy. We want there to be less COVID-19 in the world.
Change makers can be heroes!

You keep others safe and healthy when you make these changes and follow the rules. That means you can be a hero too!