The Facts

Best Practices When Riding in University Vehicles

Due to COVID-19 spreading so easily, it is always important to follow best practices, even in vehicles. Clemson’s main goal is to keep employees safe and healthy in order to limit the exposure to COVID-19.

Safety Tips

- Only two people per vehicle.
- It is recommended to wear a cloth face covering while in the vehicle with others.
- Improve the ventilation in the vehicle if possible. For example, by opening the windows or setting the air ventilation/air conditioning on non-recirculation mode.
- Practice physical distancing as much as possible, including sitting one person in the back-seat diagonal from the driver.
- People should not travel in vehicles together if they feel ill or tested Positive for COVID-19.
- Cover your mouth while coughing or sneezing.
- Take your own vehicle if you feel more comfortable.
- Remove any trash from the vehicle before leaving.
- Refrain from any skin-to-skin contact.
- Do not touch each other’s belongings.
- Refrain from eating or drinking in the vehicle.
- Keep a box of tissues in the vehicle.
- Do not leave used tissues in the vehicle.

Vehicle Cleaning

- Use disinfectant wipes to wipe down the seats, steering wheel, door handles, and the dashboard before and after use of the vehicle.
- Spray disinfecting spray in the vehicle before and after use. Do this when the doors are open to increase ventilation.
- Keep a bottle of hand sanitizer and wet wipes in the vehicle.
- When loading equipment, wipe down the surfaces of the equipment with disinfectant wipes or spray.
- Vacuum the car often.

Below are pictures of recommended cleaning products for the vehicle.

Clorox Disinfecting Wipes

Lysol Disinfecting Spray

Hand Sanitizer

If you feel the need to cough or sneeze in the vehicle, the picture below shows how to properly cover your mouth to reduce the spreading of germs.

It is very important to cough or sneeze into your elbow rather than your hand. Doing so limits the number of germs on your hand, which limits the spreading of germs.

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