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RE: Pupil Transportation driver certificate

To: Transportation Directors/Supervisors:

The Pupil Transportation Office at the Ohio Department of Education is committed to supporting the continued safe transportation of Ohio’s students. We hope you, your family and your staff are healthy and doing well. To that end, we want to provide you with information about driver certificates during this pandemic.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, Gov. Mike DeWine signed Ohio House Bill 404 of the 133rd General Assembly which provides continued extension of Ohio school vehicle driver certificates. Certificates that expire March 9, 2020 through April 1, 2021 will remain valid until July 1, 2021.

Ohio preservice instructors will work with drivers in their regions to ensure those who need the classroom portion will be able to finish their training. The drivers who have attended class already and were not able to complete all required training have until July 1, 2021 to complete the required training.

Additional guidance from the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles regarding the extension of time for driver licenses, commercial driver licenses and registrations can be found here.

We thank you for your commitment to student safety and look forward to continuing to serve Ohio’s children.

Please contact Jason Heilman at Jason.heilman@education.ohio.gov if you have any questions.