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**To:** Dr. Jon Bartelt and  
Board of Education

**From:** Mr. John Reiniche

**Date:** October 1, 2021

**Re:** Transportation Contract Extension

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**Background:**

Firstgroup America Inc., commonly referred to as First Student Bus Company, provides transportation for Bloomington School District 13 regular education students. We are currently operating in the fourth extended year of our initial three-year agreement, or in other words, our seventh year. The Illinois School Code 105 ILCS 5/29-6.1 allows for school districts to extend a transportation contract on a year-to-year basis thereafter, so long as the District has not received a timely request for bid from another interested contractor.

**Situation:**

Bloomington School District 13, when possible, shares its routes with Lake Park High School and Medinah School District 11. Pairing the routes in this configuration allows the District to share services and save tax payer dollars. First Student has issued an offer to extend the contract under the same terms of the original contract date June 1st, 2015, with an increase of 4.0%. Considering the significant reduction in state funding, it is important that expenditures are contained. Negotiating the contractual agreement is one way of containing these expenditures along with reviewing the transportation operations. As costs are essential when considering such an offer, it is important to note that First Student Bus Company has provided safe and quality service to our students. For your convenience, I have attached the extension agreement along with its exhibits.

**Recommendation:**

The Administration is recommending that the Board of Education approve a 'Student Transportation Services Agreement' with First Student Inc., for the 2021-22 school year.

## **STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN BLOOMINGDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS DISTRICT 13 AND FIRST STUDENT, INC.**

**IT IS HEREBY AGREED**, between the Board of Education of the BLOOMINGDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS DISTRICT 13 with principal offices at 164 South Euclid Avenue, Bloomingdale, Illinois 60108-1634 hereinafter called "DISTRICT" and FIRST STUDENT, INC. hereinafter called "CONTRACTOR" with its corporate offices located at 600 Vine Street, Suite 1400, Cincinnati Ohio, 45202 and its regional operating offices located at 1717 Park Street, Suite 225, Naperville, Illinois 60563 and together called "PARTIES".

**WHEREAS**, the parties entered into the certain Pupil Transportation Services Agreement dated June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 (hereinafter the "Agreement") effective July 1, 2015; and all contingencies placed upon the bid specifications.

**WHEREAS**, the parties desire to further extend the term of the Agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties mutually agree as follows:

1. **Term:** The term of the Agreement shall extend for one (1) additional year commencing July 1, 2021 and continuing through June 30, 2022; thereafter this agreement may be extended on a year-to-year basis by mutual agreement of the parties, subject to the operation of 105ILCS 5/29-6.1.
2. **Compensation:** Commencing July 1, 2021, the rates of the compensation payable hereunder during the ensuing contract year shall be set forth in Exhibits A and B and are based on the current number of routes.
3. **Notices to Parties:** All notices to be given by the parties to this Agreement shall be in writing and serviced by depositing same in the United States Mail, certified mail.

Notices to DISTRICT shall be addressed to:

Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13  
Attn: Superintendent  
164 South Euclid Avenue  
Bloomingdale, Illinois 60108-1634

Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

Ms. Leslie Norgren  
Region Vice President  
First Student, Inc.  
1717 Park Street, Suite 225  
Naperville, IL 60563

With a copy to:

General Counsel  
Firstgroup America, Inc.  
600 Vine Street, Suite 1400  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, this Agreement has been signed and executed in duplicate on behalf of the parties hereto by persons duly authorized as of the \_\_\_\_ day of August , 2021.

**BLOOMINGDALE ELEMENTARY      FIRST STUDENT**  
**DISTRICT 13**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST:**

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**BLOOMINGDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT # 13**

**EXHIBIT A**

**REGULAR BUS SERVICE RATES**

<b># Of Runs</b>		<b># of buses</b>	<b>2020-2021</b>	<b>2021-2022</b>
2/day	Regular School Day Transportation Home to School (s) (approx 8:20 a.m.) School (s) to Home (approx 3:30 p.m.)	20	\$166.97	\$173.65
1/day	Midday Bus School(s) to Home (approx 11:30 a.m.) Home to School (s)(approx 12:30 p.m.)	2	\$115.37	\$119.99
1/day	A.M. Kindergarten	1	\$62.24	\$64.73
1/day; 3/wk	After School Activity Bus (T-W-TH) School(s) to Home (approx 5:00p.m.)	1	\$62.24	\$64.73
1/day; 3/wk	Band Shuttle	2	\$62.24	\$64.73

**EXHIBIT B**

<b><u>DESTINATION</u></b>	<b><u>2020-2021</u></b>	<b><u>2021-2022</u></b>
Local area trips	<b>Rate per Hour</b>	<b>Rate per Hour</b>
In Bloomindale: between schools, fire department, library, etc.	\$ 142.74	\$ 148.45
Sunrise Senior Center, Lifetime Fitness Center	\$ 142.74	\$ 148.45
In Addison: IMAX theater	\$ 142.74	\$ 148.45
In Roselle: Coachlite Skating Rink	\$ 142.74	\$ 148.45
In Schaumburg: Woodfield Mall, Prairie Center for the Art	\$ 142.74	\$ 148.45
Chicago area trips:		
Wrigley Field/Comiskey Park	\$ 228.17	\$ 237.30
Chicago Loop	\$ 228.17	\$ 237.30
Lincoln Park Zoo	\$ 228.17	\$ 237.30
Brookfield Zoo	\$ 228.17	\$ 237.30
Shedd Aquarium	\$ 228.17	\$ 237.30
Museum of Science & Industry	\$ 228.17	\$ 237.30
Wheaton area trips		
Cantigny Museum	\$ 202.82	\$ 210.93
DuPage County Historical Museum	\$ 202.82	\$ 210.93
Cosley Park	\$ 202.82	\$ 210.93
Children's Museum	\$ 202.82	\$ 210.93
Long Distance trips:		
Funway	\$ 469.03	\$ 487.79
Lorado taft, Oregon	\$ 469.03	\$ 487.79
Great America, Gurnee	\$ 469.03	\$ 487.79
Old World Wisconsin	\$ 469.03	\$ 487.79
Athletic Trips to surrounding communities		
Other:		
Blackberry Farm, Aurora	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Drury Lane, Oak Brook	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Kane County Cougars	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Lizzadro Museum	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Morton Arboretum	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Power House, Zion	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Robert Crown, Hinsdale	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
Sonny Acres, West Chicago	\$ 222.61	\$ 231.51
<b>Conflicting fee</b>	<b>\$ 46.36</b>	<b>\$ 48.21</b>

\* Rates will increase annually by 4.0% for all trip