



October 9, 2018

Raymond School District  
Office of the Superintendent  
43 Harriman Hill Road  
Raymond, NH 03077

**RE: “Savings of High School Students and Middle School student riding together”**

In response to the Board’s question regarding a savings to Middle and High school students riding together, we feel that there would not be any significant cost reduction to the Raymond School District.

Due to the fixed costs being the same and distance traveled, we do not see any tangible cost savings at all. In fact, we think there may be potential for increased expense going forward. This would be because of adding student population to existing buses might cause us to have to add more vehicles to accommodate those needs.

As much as the route time may be shorter – we could not reduce the driver’s wages and there may be some cost savings to existing fuel, but with the addition of more fleet, the amount of fuel required would go up. Therefore the price of a bus per day, would increase.

Due to all of these things taken into consideration, Dail Transportation/Student Transportation of America, would discourage having both age groups ride together.

Sincerely,

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General Manager