

May 1, 2020

Dr. Donna Leake  
Superintendent, Eastford Public Schools  
12 Westford Road  
Eastford, CT 06242                      via email to: [dleake@eastfordct.org](mailto:dleake@eastfordct.org)

Re: COVID-19 Pupil Transportation Funding Agreement

Dear Dr. Leake:

Thank you for our most recent and thorough discussions surrounding the unprecedented circumstances we find ourselves in due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which caused the premature closing of Eastford schools on March 16, 2020. Clearly, none of us in the education or transportation communities could anticipate such a development, and the difficulties it would bring trying to work through the remaining days of the 2019-20 school year.

Based upon the direction of the federal CARES Act, as well as the subsequent Executive Order No. 7R issued by Governor Lamont, we entered into negotiations with our customers. The purpose of this letter is to memorialize the framework of terms as agreed to by DATTCO and the Eastford Public School District. We are suggesting that this memo become part of our existing transportation contract in the form of a memo of understanding, on a non-precedent setting basis.

Here are the salient terms of our agreement:

- The Eastford Public Schools will compensate DATTCO by paying eighty percent (80%) of the Home-to-School revenue that would have been invoiced covering the cancelled school days from March 16, 2020 through the normally scheduled end of the 2019-20 school year, unless Eastford schools are reopened before then, in which event we will revert back to the terms of our existing Contract for all days that school is open. Both parties have agreed on this amount, as detailed in the attached spread sheet.
- DATTCO will recall employees in service under the transportation Contract in Eastford effective Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and pay them from May 4<sup>th</sup> for the scheduled days through the scheduled end of school in June of 2020.
- DATTCO will pass back any savings realized for driver pay should any of the recalled drivers refuse re-employment, and will provide documentation to the District on a regular basis, as agreed by both parties.
- There will be no payment to DATTCO for any field trips or athletic trips, unless they have or do occur.
- The District will receive additional savings if their school calendar would have been in excess of 180 days

- DATTCO hereby certifies that it will not be “enriched”, as contemplated by Executive Order No. 7R, by the reduced Home-to-School revenue payments to be made by the Eastford Public Schools during this COVID-19 affected time under this memorandum of understanding.

We certainly appreciate the good faith negotiations undertaken by you and your staff during this challenging period. We look forward to continuing our contract under more “normal” circumstances when school resumes in earnest.

The signatures of both parties below indicate full acceptance of the conditions set forth herein.

Sincerely,

Clifford Gibson  
Chief Executive Officer

On Behalf of DATTCO, Inc.

On Behalf of the Eastford Public Schools

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Date:

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Date:

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**EASTFORD**

Total @ 100% \$ 39,855.24

CV Total @ 80% \$ 31,884.20

ROUTE	BUS	Bus Type	1ST SCHOOL	2ND SCHOOL	3RD SCHOOL	3/2/2020	3/3/2020	3/4/2020	3/5/2020	3/6/2020	Days	Cost Per Day	Total Cost
EF-1	15093	EF	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	5	\$ 369.03	\$ 1,845.15
EF-2	10004	EF	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	5	\$ 369.03	\$ 1,845.15

Days Billed Through 3/13 126.00  
 CV Days 54 Reduced to 180 Days  
 Total 180  
 Calendar Days 182  
 (2)

Daily Rate \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06

MAR Days 3 3 2 2 2 2  
 MAR Total \$ 2,214.18 \$ 2,214.18 \$ 1,476.12 \$ 1,476.12 \$ 1,476.12 \$ 1,476.12

APR Days 3 3 4 4 4 2  
 APR Total \$ 2,214.18 \$ 2,214.18 \$ 2,952.24 \$ 2,952.24 \$ 2,952.24 \$ 1,476.12

MAY Days 3 4 4 4 5  
 MAY Total \$ 2,214.18 \$ 2,952.24 \$ 2,952.24 \$ 2,952.24 \$ 3,690.30

JUN Days 2 1 1 1 1  
 JUN Total \$ 1,476.12 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06 \$ 738.06

MAR Total \$ 8,856.72  
 80.0% \$ 7,085.38

APR Total \$ 11,808.96  
 80.0% \$ 9,447.17

MAY Total \$ 14,761.20  
 80.0% \$ 11,808.96

JUN Total \$ 4,428.36  
 80.0% \$ 3,542.69