

# Public Transportation Returning to Normal in Shanghai

By Chen Tao

On May 22, Shanghai resumed its urban rail transit lines No. 3, 6, 10, 16 and 273 bus lines. In the Yangpu District, Metro Line 10 and bus lines such as the Shenchuan Line, Bus Line 25, 33, 37, 537, 538 resumed operation.

The first bus of Line 538 departs at 7:00 in the morning. At 6:45 in the morning, the reporter saw the first bus ready at the starting station, with its inside disinfected and all the windows opened for ventilation.

Du Donghui, the driver waiting for the passengers, told the reporter that in addition to driving, he also had to make sure that every passenger wears a mask and presents a green health code when they get on the vehicle.

At 6:52, Mr. Xu, the first passenger came and presented a green code and a negative result from a nucleic acid test taken within the past 48 hours. He told the reporter that he learned that the Bus Line 538 passing by the Changhai Hospital had resumed operation, and he wanted to visit that Hospital to get insulin for the treatment of diabetes, so he rushed to the station to catch the first bus.

"With public transport resuming operation, life is much more convenient now," said another passenger on the first bus, who was also going to the Changhai Hospital for medicine. The reporter learned that as early as a week before, the No. 1 Bus Company had begun to disinfect vehicles and do maintenance. Considering that drivers had been away

from their vehicles for about two months due to the lockdown, the company organized necessary training for them before allowing them to drive again. Zheng Jichong, the person in charge of Bus Line 538, told the reporter that after the resumption of operation, multiple safety measures were taken, including disinfection for every trip, and adequate ventilation at all times. At 8:00 that morning, the reporter came to the Wujiaochang Station of Metro Line 10 and saw some passengers on the platform, and almost all of them were carrying luggage suitcases.

Metro Line 10 goes directly to the Hongqiao Airport and Hongqiao Railway Station, and most of the passengers onboard were leaving Shanghai for their hometowns. Mr. Zhou, a passenger onboard, is from Changsha, Hunan Province, and he was going to the railway station to take a high-speed train for Changsha; Ms. Jiao, another passenger, was about to take a train for Shangqiu, Henan Province, her hometown. She had intended to ride a shared bicycle to Hongqiao Railway Station; Mr. Yang, passenger again, was going back to Jiangxi Province and planned to come back to Shanghai later. They and many others witnessed the first day of Metro Line 10 re-opening.

Before getting in the subway station, passengers must scan the code of the station, present a negative nucleic acid test result less than 48 hours old, and have their temperature taken. At 8:03 that morning, a train bound for the Hongqiao



Railway Station stopped at Wujiaochang Station, and passengers waiting on the platform got on the train in an orderly manner.

There were almost no empty seats in the carriage, and the passengers all wore masks, and some of them even wore protective clothing. They didn't talk to each other during the ride. The train made some stops on the way, taking onboard more passengers, most of whom were carrying luggage.

Since May 22, the city has resumed operation of 273 bus lines, of which 111 are cross-district lines.

To facilitate cross-district public transportation, on the evening of May 21, Yangpu District began dismantling 16 roadblocks at places bordering Hongkou District or Baoshan District and the demolition was completed before 0:00 on the May 22.

At 7 o'clock on the evening of the 21st, the reporter noticed that the iron fence at the intersection of the Dalian Road and Pingliang Road was gone, and the two roads were connected again. Go forward and cross Dalian Road, you can reach the adjacent Hongkou District.

In Yangpu District, cross-district bus lines include Shenchuan Line, Bus Line 25, 33, 37, 70, 123, 220, 537, 559, 842, 934, etc. Zhou Zhangyi, a policeman from the Yangpu Traffic Police Detachment, said that the removal of roadblocks didn't mean the removal of pandemic control measures, and there would still be some isolation measures at some intersections, and all vehicles and delivery workers must abide by the pandemic prevention policy.

As the pandemic prevention control improves, normal life are gradually "returning" in the city.

## "Big Independent Test" before Entrance Exam

By Gao Liang

"My mum, a medical worker at Ruijin Hospital, has been fighting on the front line of the epidemic since March, working morning and evening shifts with erratic working hours. My dad has been isolated in Yangpu because his workplace was closed and controlled, while taking care of my grandmother. These days, I have to live alone in Pudong by myself."

In the midst of the epidemic, Chen Wenbin, a student of grade three in the High school Affiliated to University of Finance and Economics, has undergone a "big independent test". While many students can enjoy the care of their parents and a good meal, he has to face various difficulties in his studies and life alone.

The sudden closure and control caught Chen Wenbin off guard. With the extended isolation period, the three meals a day became Chen Wenbin's biggest problem.

"I was actually particularly frustrated at the beginning because not only did I have to study online, but I also had to maintain my liveli-

hood problems. Luckily, I got timely help from my school teachers as well as the community council, while with the help of my neighbors, I joined various group buying groups and gradually bought more supplies to solve my material problems," Chen Wenbin said.

The most memorable event for Chen Wenbin was when his neighbors in the flat spontaneously collected supplies for him after learning about his situation. "When I heard the knock on the door and opened the room to see the floor covered with vegetables and fruits from my neighbors, I still remember how moved I was. I kept thanking them and they even told me to communicate in time when I encountered problems and that we would all work together to find a solution."

Chen Wenbin's class teacher and school psychology counsellor have also been with him during this period, giving him more attention and "recharging his mind" when he lives alone at home.

"The situation now is a test for him and he has to face it bravely, and it has enabled him to stand on

his own and work through some difficulties in his life on his own. I have found that he has grown up a lot during this epidemic." Class teacher Zhang Weiyan said.

While taking care of himself, Chen Wenbin was also very concerned about his family and whether his mother, who was fighting on the "epidemic" line, was at risk of infection, and whether she was taking care of herself while working overtime every day. He also worried about how well his grandmother, who had just undergone a major operation, was recovering; and whether his dad was resting well while he was working around the clock to look after her...Epidemic prevention and control brought hardship to life, but the warmth of the neighborhood and the love of the teachers were the best consolation. In Chen Wenbin's view, there will be many difficulties in life, and all one has to do is to stay positive and optimistic. "For me, with the college entrance examination coming up, I should do my share of studying and live up to the trust of those who have loved me and helped me."

## Yangpu District Facilitates Listing of Enterprises

By Mao Xinhui

To further facilitate the listing of enterprises in the Yangpu District and help them better access the capital market, the district recently held a online seminar for key enterprises in Yangpu to be listed, and more than 50 companies participated in the event.

Apart from summarizing the experience and successful practices from previous seminars, this event focused on tackling the difficulties faced by enterprises in the process of preparing for listing under the influence of the pandemic.

During the event, experts from relevant municipal and district government departments, Shanghai Stock Exchange Issuance and Listing Service Center, Bank of China Yangpu Sub-branch, and China Securities Investment Securities discussed topics such as IPO listing, financial services, and the newly released policies for supporting enterprises and facilitating resumption of work and production, etc., in a bid to provide channels for companies to get listed and boost their confidence.

During the Q&A session, three companies presented their business development and listing progress during the COVID period and experts from various financial institutions answered questions from enterprises attending the event online.

Yangpu District always attaches great importance to the listing of enterprises. By now, quite a number of "hard technology" enterprises and specialized companies in the district have gone public. Li Changyi, director of Yangpu Financial Development Office, said that in the next step, the office will explore and implement more comprehensive and detailed policy services to support the listing of enterprises in Yangpu District. It will focus on the difficulties encountered by enterprises in the process of listing, conduct comprehensive study, and offer company-specific solutions, making full use of all the existing favorable policies. It will also build a platform for regular exchange between governments, securities regulators, banks, and enterprises to better support companies in Yangpu to get listed.