

Irvine Unified School District Transportation Plan

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Current Transportation Services

	General Education	Special Education	Total
Routes	9	167	176
Students Transported	785	667	1,452
Pre-School Aged Students	9	80	89
TK-6 Students Transported	404	302	706
Low Income Students Transported	102	0	102
Bus Passes Sold	692	0	692
Free Bus Passes Issued	93	0	93
Activity Trips (field trips, athletic events)	2,500	0	2,500

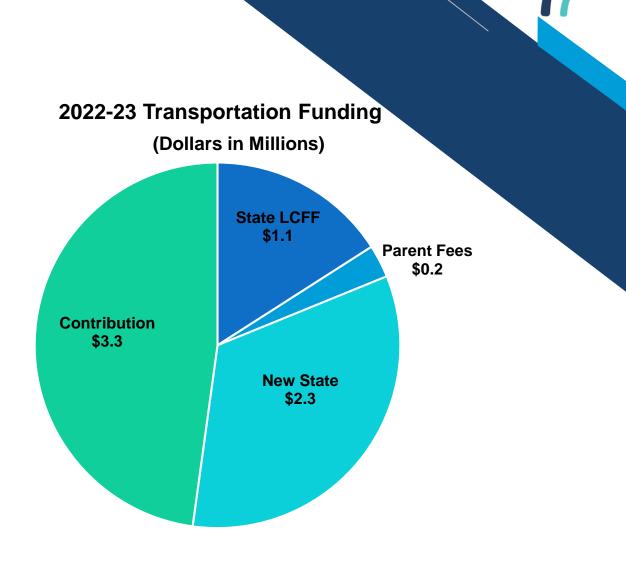
Background

2022-23 State Budget

- \$637M ongoing for Proposition 98 for Home-to-School Transportation
 - First time in over 10 years funding for transportation increased state-wide
 - For IUSD approximately \$2.3M in additional funding

IUSD Underfunding for Home-to-School Transportation

- 2022-23 estimated expenditures \$6.9M
 - IUSD to receive approximately \$1.3M from State through LCFF and local fees (parent pay)
 - With additional funding of approximately \$2.3M from the State, Transportation continues to be underfunded by approximately \$3.3M



Transportation Plan Requirements

Education Code Sections 39800.1 and 41850.1

- Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must develop a plan describing the transportation services it will offer to its pupils, prioritizing low-income and those in Transitional Kindergarten (TK) - Grade 6.
- Requires the governing board to adopt the plan on or before April 1, 2023, and updated by April 1 each year thereafter.
- Prohibits LEAs from charging a fee for unduplicated pupils.
 - (low income, English learners, foster youth)
- The plan shall be developed in consultation with stakeholder groups.



- Transportation services for Special Education students is provided for free as specified in their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) when:
 - Students are enrolled at a school other than their school of residence
 - Students require transportation services due to the severity of their disability

Home-to-School Transportation Routes

- The District provides nine (9) home-to-school routes
 - Six (6) routes for Turtle Rock Elementary School and Rancho San Joaquin Middle School
 - One (1) route for Vista Verde School
 - Two (2) routes for Oak Creek Elementary School
- Routes continued/established due to significant pedestrian safety concerns.
 - Allowable per IUSD Administrative Regulation 3540.1
- Cost of routes subsidized by the District
 - Approximately 70% of the cost paid by the District
 - Approximately 30% of the cost paid by parents



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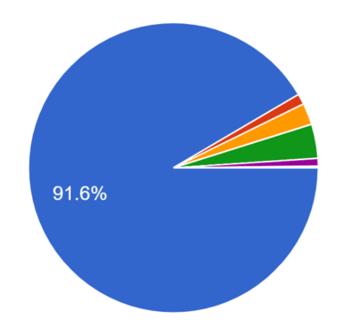
- Unduplicated Pupils (low income, English learners, foster youth)
 - Provided free transportation services, as needed.
- McKinney-Vento (Homeless) Students
 - Students are identified, monitored, and serviced by the Student Services Department
 - Free transportation services provided
 - District Transportation
 - Existing bus routes
 - Individualized transportation
 - Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Youth Ride Free Program





We are seeking input from different stakeholder groups. Please let us know the stakeholder group you are representing for this survey.

2,289 responses

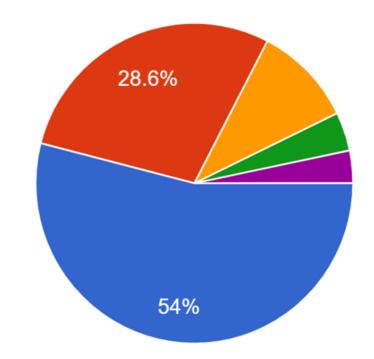


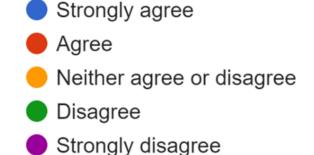
- Parent 2,096 (91.6%)
- Student 27 (1.2%)
- Classified Staff 55 (2.4%)
- Certificated Staff 87 (3.8%)
- Administrative Staff 20 (0.9%)
- Regional Local Transit Authority 0 (0%)
- Local Air Pollution Control District/Air 1 (.04%)
 Quality Management District
- Other 3 (0.1%)

Survey Results: Prioritization

It is important that IUSD prioritize planned transportation services for students in Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-6 that reside outside established transportation zones and where significant safety concerns exist.

2,277 responses

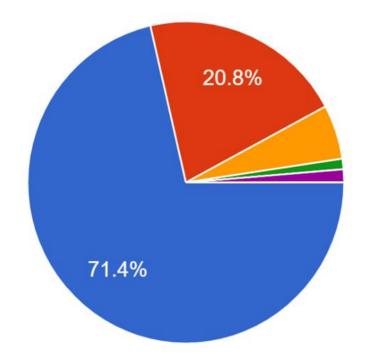


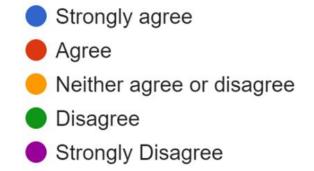


Survey Results: Accessibility

It is important that IUSD transportation services are accessible to students with disabilities and students who are homeless.

2,286 responses

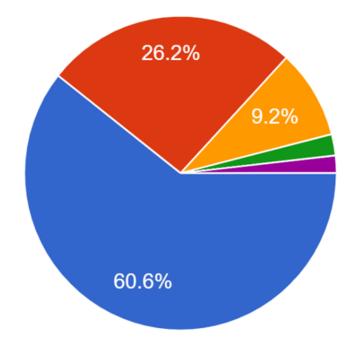


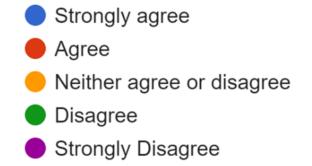




It is important for IUSD to provide free transportation for Unduplicated Pupils (Unduplicated Pupils are those eligible for Free/Reduced Meals, English Learners, Foster Youth, and/or Homeless).

2,282 responses

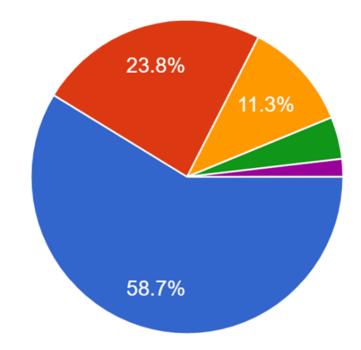


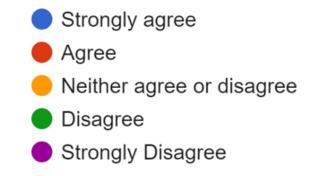


Survey Results: OCTA Services

It is important for Orange County Transit Authority (OCTA) to provide free bus passes for youth ages 6 to 18 to ride all public OCTA routes.

2,281 responses

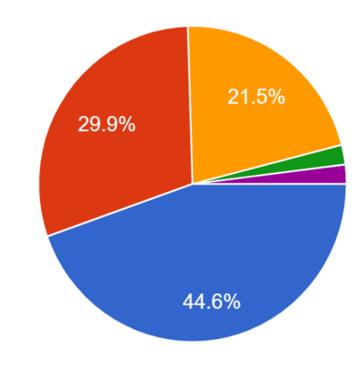


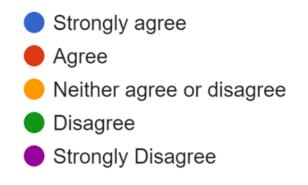




I would prefer if school busses operating in my community were zero to lowemission vehicles.

2,280 responses





Survey Results: Comments

566 responses

- Additional transportation services/routes
- Increasing safe routes to school
 - Additional crossing guards
 - Bicycles and electric bicycles (e-bikes)
 - Walking paths
- Coordination of school start and end times
- Traffic congestion and parking concerns
- Contracted car services



Questions





