



# Tracy Unified School District Transportation Plan

2022-23 and 2023-24

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The following is the Tracy Unified School District's plan for offering transportation services to its pupils pursuant to the requirements in Education Code Section 39800.1. This plan describes the services for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years. Prior to April 1 each year, the plan will be updated for the following school year.

## Plan Descriptions

General Summary of the transportation services the Tracy Unified School District provides.

Tracy Unified School District provides school bus transportation as a service within school district boundaries and is provided from the nearest school bus stop to the student's "Home School" based on the student's home address. Boundaries are defined as an approximate two-mile radius for TK-8 students and two-and-a-half-mile radius for 9-12 students from the student's home address. The current cost for a round trip full year bus pass for the school year is \$360.00. Semester and one-way plans are also available. School Bus Transportation of students (except for students who have an IEP requiring transportation) is not a requirement by law in the State of California and is provided as a service to the families of Tracy Unified School District who are within the Board Approved Busing Areas. While our transportation services and bus stops are limited, we have attempted to provide the best services available within our limited resources.

Description of the Tracy Unified School District 's transportation services that are accessible to pupils with disabilities and homeless children and youth.

Pupils with disabilities and Special Education students who's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) designates curb-to-curb transportation are eligible for free transportation services. Transportation is also available free of charge for homeless and McKenny-Vento students.

Description of how unduplicated pupils access available home-to-school transportation at no cost to the pupils.

Tracy Unified School District provides Free or Reduced cost bus transportation for our Unduplicated student population. To qualify for Free or Reduced bussing the parent or guardian is required to provide a copy of the Food Services Department verification letter. The Food Services Department verification letter confirms your student qualifies for the Free or Reduced cost program. If Food Services Department verification letter cannot be provided, Transportation Department will attempt to verify the information through the district, provided parent or guardian has completed the income verification process.

Description of how the Tracy Unified School District will prioritize planned transportation services for pupils in transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and any of grades 1 to 6, inclusive, and pupils who are low income.

Tracy Unified School District offers bussing to our transitional kindergarten and K-6 students. Tracy Unified School District will continue to prioritize their safe and efficient transportation to and from school. Tracy Unified School District prioritizes our low-income students to guarantee they receive the best opportunity to attend school daily.

Description of how plan was developed in consultation with classified staff, teachers, school administrators, regional local transit authorities, local air pollution control districts and air quality management districts, parents, pupils, and other stakeholders.

Tracy Unified School District's Transportation Department has sought educational partner engagement through surveys, virtual meetings and public forums. Feedback was taken into consideration as to how to provide equitable and safe transportation for Tracy Unified School District's students.

On February 1, 2023, the District held a virtual meeting with members of the City of Tracy Transportation Authority and members from San Joaquin Environmental Health Department. During the meeting the City of Tracy stated they are looking to add transportation to students who reside within the 2.5-mile busing boundary. This transportation would be free of charge to all students. Environmental Health department says we are in good standing with all our past site inspections.

The District sent out a staff survey to all TUSD employees and were asked to rank on a scale of 1-5 a series of questions pertaining to the quality and safety of the Transportation Department.

The Transportation Department received high marks (4s and 5s) in two key targets: 1. The School District provides transportation for Unduplicated Students and 2. The School District provides transportation for students who have Special Needs. We also received high marks for bus driver safety and having a fleet that is mechanically sound, both of which provide students with safe and reliable transport to-and-from school. An area we received lower marks was school district boundaries where our 2.5-mile radius may affect students within our boundary from receiving transportation. We are working with the City of Tracy to help fill those areas and give access to transportation.

On February 15, 2023, the District held an open forum meeting where we invited parents/guardians, business owners and students to join us for a discussion regarding the Transportation Plan. The District received feedback from 17 families regarding the use of a bus stop outside of the city, concerns with the potential delay in receiving the Food Service letter for free-and-reduced bus transportation and improving communications between the Transportation office and parents. All feedback received has been taken into consideration in the development of this plan.

In addition community and staff had the opportunity to provide input both virtually and in person at a regularly scheduled board meeting.

**Plan Adoption Date\***

March 14, 2023

\*Option to Provide Public Comments Remotely Was Available

## Estimated Expenditures

The following tables provide an estimate of the expenditures necessary to carry out the transportation plan.

### 2022-23 School Year

Expenditure Category (Object Code)	Estimated Expenditures
Certificated Supervisors and Administrators Salaries (1300)	[\$ 0.00]
Classified Salaries (2200-2400)	3,909,515.65
Employee Benefits (3101-3902)	1,958,021.56
Books and Supplies (4200-4400)	1,183,367.88
Services and Other Operating Expenditures (5100-5900)	177,608.04
Capital Outlay (6400-6500) *	[\$ 0.00]

### 2023-24 School Year

Expenditure Category (Object Code)	Estimated Expenditures
Certificated Supervisors and Administrators Salaries (1300)	[\$ 0.00]
Classified Salaries (2200-2400)	3,966,116.35
Employee Benefits (3101-3902)	1,977,968.55
Books and Supplies (4200-4400)	1,218,868.92
Services and Other Operating Expenditures (5100-5900)	182,936.28
Capital Outlay (6400-6500) *	[\$ 0.00]

\*Capital Outlay is excluded from the home-to-school transportation reimbursement funding.