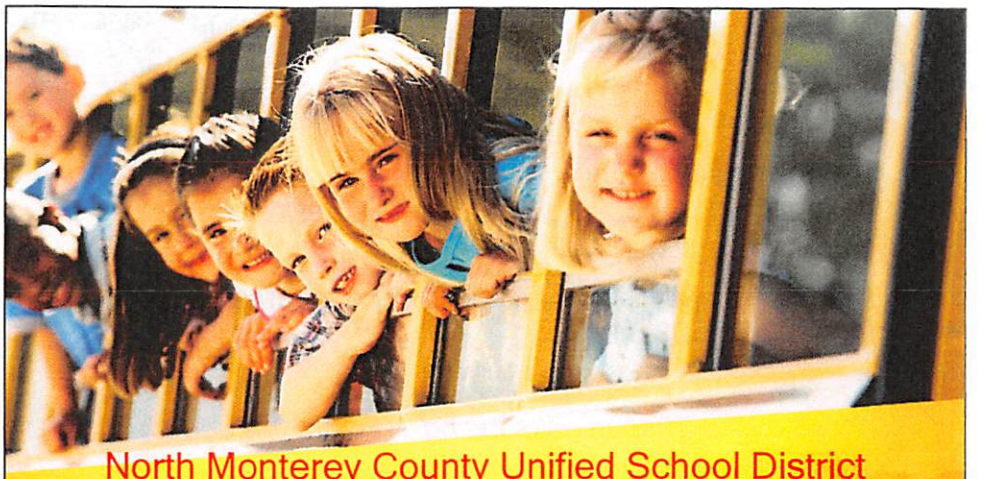


North Monterey County Unified School District

Transportation Update for Budget Review Committee*

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Transportation Funding



- Prior to LCFF funding, transportation was one of the State's categoricals
- As we learned last week, with the introduction of the LCFF, State categoricals were rolled in to the calculation
- Currently, the LCFF "adds on" the value of Transportation funding received during the 2012-13 year
- The value of that add on is $1,049,008
- Requirement of receiving the add on is to meet the Maintenance of Effort in spending equal to the amount spent in 2012-13

MOE



- Maintenance of Effort
  - Based on expenditures from 2012-13 of $1,688,548
- At no time now can the District's expenditures be less than the $1,688,548

Otherwise..... District risks losing 100% of the add on!!!

School Bus Driver Requirements



Certified Bus Drivers

Total Certified = 29
- Route Drivers = 22
- Substitutes = 2
- Office/Mechanic = 5

Certificated Requirements

- Commercial driver license 5 years
- School bus certificate - 5 years
- Physical exam - 2 years
- First Aid exam/test/class - 2 years
- Annual training between birthdays - 10 hours
- Random Drug and alcohol testing

Training of Bus Drivers



- The required training of our of bus drivers is done in house by a state certified instructor.
- The instructor also ensures that all required certifications and licenses are kept up to date by the drivers and also maintains all training records of drivers as required by the Ca. Dept. of Education, Office of School Transportation and the Ca. Highway Patrol.

Transportation Staffing Then and Now



- 2014/15 shortage of drivers caused the department to outsource several routes to a contractor at the cost of $525 per route per day
- 2017/18 achieved 100% driver to route staffing which equals greater efficiency by providing all transportation services in house.

Transportation Staffing Then and Now



2015/16

- The District converted all bus driver positions to 8 hours in an effort to attract and retain quality drivers. During the drivers on duty, non driving time they perform a variety of other duties.

Other Duties Performed

Wash/detail buses and vans

Fuel fleet

Repair bus seat covers

Pick up parts for mechanics

Replace bulbs, lens covers wiper blades on fleet

Work around facility landscaping and general cleanup

Drop off and pick up local field trips, reducing standby and overtime costs

Maintenance and Repairs



- Maintenance and repairs of District fleet are regularly done in house
- The Winter storms of Feb. 2017 destroyed the shop which has required some repairs to be outsourced to local repair shops.
- Rebuilding of the shop means most all repairs will be done in house and we will be able to re establish services to outside agencies (North County Fire, neighboring Districts) to generate additional revenue.

District Transportation Fleet



- Transit Style = 24

Range in year 1988 - 2017

- * Sped/Mini - 11

5 are wheelchair accessible

Range in year 1993 - 2016

- Vans = 5

(Carries up to 8 passengers including driver)

Years of vans are 2014 (1) and 2017 (4)

Home to school Routes



Our Routes

Daily Bus Routes = 25

- Big Buses = 17 routes
- Sped Buses = 5 routes
- Vans drive 3 routes

The average ride time for students is:

Elementary - ½ hr. to 45 minutes

Middle School - 45 minutes

High School - ½ hour

Our Students

Transport **1730** students daily as follows:

Elementary = 890

(Special Education = 34)

Middle School = 329

(Special Education = 9)

High School = 439

(Special Education = 22)

Other Runs



- In addition to the 1730 students transported,
  - Transportation services are also provided for Central Bay Students and
  - High school students attending Zero Period Block and
  - Central Bay Career Tech students attending classes at NMCHS

Let's Add to the Mix!!!

Redirected Students

100 +

Redirected students equal two to three additional routes!

Cost per Mile



Cost per Mile

- $4.16
- This figure takes into consideration the overall operating costs of the department including salaries, maintenance repairs, fuel, tires, new equipment.
- It is divided into the annual miles driven.
- NMCUSD's cost per mile is relatively low in comparison to other local Districts.

Cost per student

- $1106 per student
- This figure uses the same considerations as the per mile cost.
- It is divided into the average daily number of students transported.

Transportation Facts



- Transportation is not mandated or fully funded
- Many districts have either reduced or completely eliminated Home to School transportation
- NMCUSD continues to provide transportation as our students depend on it!

Transportation Facts



- Many students would not even get to school without the bus
- Consider the following:
  - District is addressing the issue of over 10% of our students are chronically absent
  - What if the transportation department started charging? How might this affect the absenteeism rate?

Transportation Fee



- If the district could charge $200 annually for approximately 1500 of its riders, that would generate $300,000 in additional revenue
  - Why only 1500? The district is required to transport certain categories of students like Special Education, McKinney Vento students, and redirects
  - Consider also that the Free & Reduced Lunch unduplicated pupil count for the District is also 83%

Transportation Fee



- Assuming 10 students per grade span (K-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-12) could not afford the fee and did not have transportation to school, if these 40 students didn't come to school it would reduce ADA revenue!
- The value of that ADA revenue reduction, using 1718 LCFF funding values would equal $377,000
- The amount collected in charging 1500 riders does not make-up enough funds to off-set potential loss of ADA revenue

Investment in students



- The investment in transportation is one of the key foundational support structures that ensures kids come to school to LEARN!
  - It's not just about convenience, it's about getting them to school *every day!*
  - *Students cannot learn if there not present. Any other investment requires students to be in attendance to receive services.*
  - **That's** the return on the investment in providing transportation