

Sylvester Small Administration Building

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Akron Public Schools Transportation Services department is reaching out to advise you that the school district is conducting its annual, ongoing review of all transportation services for students in enrolled in Grades K-8 that reside within the Akron Public Schools district boundaries in preparation for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year.

This review focuses on ensuring the district's required compliance with the criteria set forth by Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3327.02 – Resolution Declaring Impracticality of Transportation/Offer of Payment In Lieu of Transportation and the guidelines from Section 265.190 of HB 33.

According to these regulations, the Akron Public Schools Board of Education may determine it impractical to transport eligible students under ORC 3327.01. Should such decision be determined, families will be notified of the required next steps to complete the necessary paperwork for "payment in lieu" and will be sent the necessary documentation as outlined in the regulations.

The compensation, which is determined by the State of Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (ODEW), provided will be no less than 50% of the average cost of pupil transportation for the prior school year, with adjustments possible depending on the duration of the school year involved per student.

Our commitment is to continue to align the district's practices with state regulations, ensuring they serve the best interests of the students and their families that Akron Public Schools is required to service

Akron Public Schools Transportation Services staff are currently examining all specific school locations and travel standards to guarantee compliance with the required criteria.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding payment in lieu or any other transportation-related matters, please do not hesitate to contact us at by emailing: transrft@apslearns.org

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Coordinator - Transportation Services

Akron Public Schools District

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