

INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Education Code (EC) Section 39800.1, Selma Unified School District must develop a plan describing its transportation services for students to be eligible to receive transportation funding allocated by the California Department of Education. The plan must be presented and adopted by the school district's governing board on or before April 1, 2023 and updated by April 1 each year thereafter.

DESCRIPTION OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The Selma Unified School District serves over 5,900 students in the Selma, CA, area. The District includes the following schools and education centers:

- Abraham Lincoln Middle School
- Andrew Jackson Elementary School
- Eric White Elementary School
- Heartland Education Center
- Indianola Elementary School
- James Garfield Elementary School
- Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School
- Selma Adult School
- Selma High School
- Selma Independent Study
- Terry Elementary School
- Woodrow Wilson Elementary School

The Transportation Department has 17 school routes that offer home-to-school transportation for students in grades Transitional Kindergarten - 12 (TK-12). The Transportation Department also provides transportation services for activity trips that support the educational activities of the schools, including curricular, extra-curricular, and athletic trips for students.

During the 2021-2022 school year, Selma Unified School District's school bus fleet traveled 179,255 miles. Approximately 675 regular education students and 113 students who receive special services were transported to and from their respective schools daily.

HOME-TO-SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS

Selma Unified School District offers home-to-school transportation to students in grades Transitional Kindergarten through 12. There are no income requirements to receive home-to-school transportation. Therefore, all students, including students from low-income households, students who are homeless, foster youth, and students who are English Learners may receive home-to-school transportation based on Board policies.

Students who live within their school of attendance boundaries and do not fall within the non-service zone per the District's board-approved policies may receive transportation at no cost. A non-service zone is within the following from the student's home school:

- Radius of one (1) mile for K through 6th grades, and
- Two and one-half (2.5) miles for 7th through 12th grades.

Modifications are made for students living in areas with inadequate pathways as defined in Board policy. In addition, bus stops have been added to areas considered hardship areas based on low-income counts and the distance of the area from the high school and/or middle school site(s).

Students in transitional kindergarten living in an area that do not have a TK class will be transported from the student's home school to the nearest school housing a TK-grade level class.

TK and kindergarten students are required to have a designated person at the bus stop to receive them.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Selma Unified School District offers transportation for students with disabilities when Selma Unified is the student's district of residence and transportation services are required by his/her individualized education program (IEP) or Section 504 accommodation plan.

DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PLAN

In accordance with Education Code Section 39800.1, Selma Unified School District sought plan input from all Selma Unified Staff, parents, guardians, students, community members and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. A survey link was sent through District email to all staff and a link to the survey was sent through ParentSquare to all families in the District.

In addition to providing feedback through the survey, public comments may be submitted during the regular Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, March 28, 2023.