



**Pupil Transportation  
Services Plan  
2026/27**

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## Introduction

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Education Code Section 39800.1 reads, “As a condition of receiving apportionments under Section 41850.1, a local educational agency shall develop a plan describing the transportation services it will offer to its pupils, and how it 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. The plan shall be adopted by the local educational agency’s governing board on or before April 1, 2023, and updated by April 1 each year thereafter.”

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## Consultation

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This plan was developed in consultation with classified staff, teachers, school administrators, regional local transit authorities, parents, students, and other stakeholders through a variety of communication methods including phone calls, emails, and meetings.

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## Pupil Transportation Services

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Cypress School District provides transportation to and from school in the following situations:

1. Students in grades K-3 living more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile and students in grades 4-6 living more than 1 mile from their home school. This currently applies to certain students at Luther and Vessels. Designated stops are available for each of these school sites.
  - Families complete a bus application online to request transportation from one of these designated stops. The application can be accessed on the Luther and Vessels websites under the “Parents” tab.
2. Students with an IEP that designate transportation.
  - Eligible students receive an application from the Special Education department.
3. Students who qualify under the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, are in foster care, or meet the definition of low income and need transportation to and from school. Designated bus stops will be identified based on student need.
  - Families contact their home school office, and the school office staff submits the form requesting transportation.
4. Students who have been administratively transferred and need transportation to and from school.
  - Families contact their home school office, and the school office staff submits the form requesting transportation.

## Bus Fleet

Cypress School District has a fleet of nine buses.

Bus #	Type of Bus	Capacity
1	Gas	30
2	Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	78
3	Gas	30
4	Diesel	41
5	Diesel	78
6	Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	81
7	Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	60
8	Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	60
9	Diesel	47

The district actively pursues grants to assist in the replacement of existing gas/diesel school buses with low or no-emission buses.

## Transportation Service Usage

Category	2024/25	Current 2025/26	Anticipated 2026/27
TK-6 Designated Stops (Luther & Vessels)	156	145	150
Students with IEP Transportation Designation (TK – 6)	31	42	35
Students with IEP Transportation Designation (Preschool)	17	6	5
Students with McKinney-Vento, Foster, or Low - Income Designation	0	0	0
Students who are Administratively Transferred	8	24	20
<b>Total Students</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>210</b>

## Estimated Annual Reimbursement and Program Expenditures

### Estimated Annual Reimbursement (2025/26)

Total 2024/25 Transportation Expenses (Function 3600)	\$ 561,294.00
Less Capital Outlay (Object 6XXX, Function 3600)	\$ 0.00
Less Non-Agency Expenditures (Goal 7110, 7150, Function 3600)	\$ 0.00
<b>Estimated 60 percent Reimbursement</b>	<b>\$ 336,776.00</b>
<i>Less 2024/25 Transportation Add-on from LCFF</i>	<i>\$248,640.00</i>
<i>Total Home to School Transportation Reimbursement</i>	<i>\$ 88,136.00</i>

### Anticipated Expenditures (2026/27)

2000-2999	Classified Salaries	\$ 268,475
3000-3999	Employee Benefits	\$ 176,343
4000-4999	Books and Supplies	\$ 77,041
5000-5999	Services and Other Operating Expenditures	\$ 116,045
6000-6999	Capital Outlay	\$ 0
7000-7999	Other Outgoing Expenses	\$ 0
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>\$ 637,904</b>

Additional non-transportation LCFF funds are used to cover remaining transportation costs.

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## 2026/27 Plan

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Cypress School District has five bus drivers. Their proposed assignments are as follows:

- **Bus Driver 1**
  - Luther students who live in a designated transportation area
  - Students who have been administratively transferred to another school
  - Students participating in the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELO-P)
- **Bus Driver 2**
  - Vessels students who live in a designated transportation area
  - Students who have been administratively transferred to another school
  - Students participating in the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELO-P)
- **Bus Driver 3**
  - Students with an IEP that designates transportation
  - Students qualifying under McKinney Vento or low-income status
  - Preschool students with an IEP
- **Bus Driver 4**
  - Students with an IEP that designates transportation
  - Students qualifying under McKinney Vento or low-income status
  - Preschool students with an IEP
- **Bus Driver 5**
  - Students with an IEP that designates transportation
  - Students qualifying under low-income status
  - Students in foster care
  - Students who have been administratively transferred to another school
  - Students with an IEP designating attendance at a non-public school/agency

Outside resources, such as another school district or private transportation company, may be utilized on an as-needed basis.

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## Community Resources

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The Orange County Transportation Authority offers a Youth Ride Free Pass, which allows youth ages 6 to 18 to ride all OC Bus fixed-routes for free travel to school, work, or leisure. This program runs through September 30, 2026. The pass application is available [here](#) or by contacting your school office.