

St. Helena Unified School District

Transportation Plan

2024-25 and 2025-26

Transportation Services:

1. Enter description of transportation services offered to pupils, and how it will prioritize planned transportation services for pupils in transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and any of grades 1 - 6 inclusive and pupils who are low income. Plan may provide for the LEA to partner with municipally owned transit system to provide services to middle and high school students. An LEA may provide no-cost transit passes to students.

Since 2020-21, SHUSD has provided its own transportation system staffed by district employees (contracted services were used prior to the 2020-21 school year). For 2024-25 and 2025-26, the program consists of two full bus routes (the "Angwin" and "Highway 29" routes) and some van routes, e.g. for students with Individual Education Plans (IEP's) as needed; and for a small group of general education students who reside in the farthest limits of district boundaries. No student fees are charged for home-to-school transportation. Eligible Transitional Kinder students are provided with free transportation to a local after-school daycare center using Expanded Learning Opportunity Program (ELO-P) funds. Students in the 1st and 2nd grades are also provided free transportation to the St. Helena Boys and Girls Club after school, which is located at the St. Helena Elementary School. In 2024-25 and 2025-26, transportation is also offered during general education summer school (in addition to required "Extended Year" service for students in the special education program). Funded staffing in 2024-25 and 2025-26 includes one full-time Transportation Assistant-Driver, three full-time School Bus Drivers, and two part-time District (Van) Driver positions. The SHUSD Chief Business Official provides administrative oversight for the transportation program. The district fleet includes four deisel buses (two of which will be replaced with electric vehicles in 2024-25, through the Carl Moyer program).

2. Enter description of LEA's transportation services that would be accessible to pupils with disabilities, and homeless children and youth. Students with disabilities and homeless children/youth can access the district's two bus routes or are provided with van transportation as appropriate to their needs and available staffing/vehicles. Information about transportation services is posted on the district's website. Counselors, administrators, teachers and support staff provide information about transportation services directly to parents and students as appropriate, e.g. during counseling sessions, parent-teacher conferences, and other meetings. All students who have transportation as a requirement within their Individual Education Plans (IEP's) are provided with service. Public transit bus passes are purchased for homeless children and youth as needed. The district also contracts with an outside service for transportation to non-public school placements as required within students' IEP's.

3. Enter description of how unduplicated pupils, would be able to access available home-to-school transportation at no-cost to the pupils.

No fees are charged to any SHUSD students for home-to-school transportation offered by the district. Vine Transit (regional local transit authority) offers a morning and afternoon shuttle for before/after school runs; beginning in 2022-23, free shuttle/bus passes will be available for SHUSD middle and senior high school pupils through their school's main office.

Consultations:

Enter description of the required plan 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. **The original plan was shared with the district's classified transportation employees and CSEA union leadership, as well as with district administrators. Teacher, parent, and pupil representatives, as well as other community partners, had the opportunity to provide input regarding the district's transportation program through the district's Steering Committee for the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) in 2022-23. Feedback included requests for additional late afternoon routes to support students participating in after-school activities. A hiring incentive was added in 2022-23 to address the district's staffing shortage, which has been impacting the ability to offer additional late afternoon routes. District administration consulted with a representative of Vine Transit on January 24, 2023. As a result of the consultation, Vine Transit shuttle stop times may be revised, and updated information about public transit services will be shared with students/parents. Additionally, the district will use some of the transportation funds allocated to buy public transit passes for middle and high school students. The district is in consultation with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) through its grant application to replace two diesel buses with two new electric buses, including the bussing infrastructure (EV chargers). The transportation plan, which will be available on the district website at www.sthelenauunified.org, was presented for Public Hearing as well as Board consideration of approval during the February 16, 2023 Board meeting. No changes have been made to the original plan for the upcoming school years, 2024-25 and 2025-26.**

Revenue Calculation

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| Total 2021-22 Transportation Expenses (Function 3600) | 573,077.00 |
| Less Capital Outlay (object 6XXX, Function 3600) | - |
| Less Nonagency Expenditures (Goal 7110,7150, Function 3600) | - |
| Estimated 60% Reimbursement | 343,846.20 |
| Less 2021-22 Transportation add-on (from LCFF Calculator) | - |

Total Revenue (Object 8590, Resource 0000)

343,846.20

Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

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| 2000-2999 - Classified Salaries | 181,387.00 |
| 3000-3999 - Employee Benefits | 114,896.00 |
| 4000-4999 - Books and Supplies | 51,928.00 |
| 5000-5999 - Services and other Operating Expenditures | 256,080.00 |
| 6000-6999 - Capital Outlay | - |
| 7000-7999 - Other Outgo | - |

Total Expenditures

604,291.00

Board Approval Date:

13-Jun-24

The Transportation plan and revenue calculations were developed in accordance with Education Code Sections 39800.1 and 41850.1.