<u>Transportation Services Plan - Community Input (Responses)</u>

- Question #1 In MDUSD, we provide transportation to those noted below. Is there anything you believe we should consider in this area? Is there anything we are missing?
- Response 1. I do not think this is true. We have an entire section of our school area that is more than 2 driving miles away and not a single bus brings kids to Bancroft. I am not aware of any MDUSD bussing beyond special education. Please alleviate drop-off congestion and danger by instituting buses following the above. Mileage should be based on route, not straight-line radius from school.
- Response 2. Consider safety, not just the distance. Some shorter paths cross so many major roads that walking it is more dangerous than a longer path
- Response 3. We should consider transporting high schoolers who live in the Clayton Valley attendance area. Many of them choose to go to CVCHS rather than district schools. Could we offer a transport service to high school for these students? Perhaps that would keep these students in the district schools through high school.
- Response 4 Students in Monument Area attending oak grove or YVHS. Especially on high wind days and spare the air. Elementary schools in Bay Point and Monument to ASP Community Youth Center and or a local public library to a parks and rec program.
- Response 5 All students should have access to public transportation regardless of the distance from school.
- Response 6 Traffic patterns should be considered. We live less than 7 miles from a high school but there is no public transportation to get there. In traffic, it can take 30-40 minutes. It is also not safe to walk or ride a bike over the hill
- Response 7 All students enrolled in the district
- Response 8 RVMS students who live on the East side of Bailey Road and all the students who live near or on Willow Pass Rd & Port Chicago.
- Response 9 I think transportation should be offered to all students who cannot safely walk or ride their bikes to school. I would like busy and unsafe walking/biking roads to be considered in this. Those in the Virginia hills neighborhood need to travel up and over busy streets with limited sidewalks and crosswalks to get to school. There is no way to get there safely other than car.
- Response 10- Transportation to students whose parents are unable to transport their children to school due to medical issues.
- Response 11- There are many students that live more than 1 1/4 miles away from their home school yet transportation is not offered. If this is allowed for non-special education students, the administrators need to know that and they need to know how to make it happen for the students in their school.

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Question #2- In MDUSD, we provide transportation to those noted below. Is there anything you believe we should consider in this area? Is there anything we are missing?

- Response 1 How about buses at no cost to all student fieldtrips. That is the biggest deterrent for field trips, which can be lifelong memories and academic sparks for our kids.
- Response 2 Consider adding after-school educational support locations. For example, I hear CYC has agreed to provide free tutoring but transportation of students to CYC is an insurmountable roadblock
- Response 3 Local Public library, asp program or city parks and rec program
- Response 4 What about \$\$ for extracurricular/field trips for students at non-public schools or ADR placed schools?
- Response 5 A School bus for all students who live below the poverty line.
- Response 6 I would like to see bus services provided to students whose parents or caregivers are disabled and unable to drive not just students with disabilities.
- Response 7 Transportation help for students with parents with medical issues and unable to drive
- Response 8 While field trip buses are no cost to families, the school sites are being inundated with those costs. It would be nice if some of this funding would go towards field trips, so that more grade levels would be able to participate and go on field trips.
- Response 9 Would it be possible to provide bus passes to anyone who asks, to help those not eligible, and increase ridership and normalizing bus use for students

Question #3 - Do you have any further questions or comments this survey on transportation should consider? (Please note - this survey is only about who we provide services for how we provide them)

- Response 1 Please consider offering transportation to families in return for a fee. In theory, parents with money would be able to provide the density of transportation to allow faster and more reliable services to those who get it for free.
- Response 2 Bus passes for Middle and high school low-income students to ASP programs or local public library park and rec after school program
- Response 3 Transportation availability needs to be better communicated to all parents in the district. This includes how to request transportation, how to access transportation, where and when transportation can occur. The MDUSD website is nearly impossible to navigate. If the district wants grant money, they need to make all parents aware of what they can access and the onus is on the district to do so.
- Response 4 How about crossing guards?

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- Response 5 Families that are unable to get to school because of lack of transportation i.e., car broke down, stolen car, parent physically disabled, car was towed away, unable to afford a car, etc. are the families we should provide transportation. Remove the barriers to the children's education and attendance will increase, especially in our poorest communities. Other states provide it to all their children, why can't we?
- Response 6 Students whose parents are disabled and able to drive their children to school, are left out of being eligible for current transportation services. They should not be allowed to continue to happen.