



**Santa Barbara  
SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

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Date: August 20, 2009  
 To: Dr. J. Brian Sarvis, Superintendent  
 From: Eric D. Smith, Deputy Superintendent  
 Subject: Update on Implementation of Parent-Pay Transportation

Consent Agenda: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Action Agenda: \_\_\_\_\_ (Time Required: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Conference Item:  X  (Time Required: \_\_\_\_\_)

Background:

Implementing Parent-Pay transportation in the Elementary district was a component of the Fiscal Solvency Plan (FSP) approved by the Board in June 2009. Since June, a multi-department team including staff from Fiscal and Business Services, Research & Evaluation and Administrative Services, plus representatives from Student Transportation of America (STA), has collaborated to implement Parent-Pay Transportation in the 2009-2010 school year.

To date, a bus pass application form has been created and will be distributed to affected schools; a bus pass has been designed and is in the process of being finalized; and an informational flier about Parent-Pay transportation, in English and Spanish, produced for dissemination. In addition, fields have been added to the Aeries student information system in order to identify students who ride the bus and create rider rosters for use by STA.

Because Parent-Pay transportation is new this school year, parents or guardians will have a 30-day grace period in which to pay either the yearly round trip cost of \$250 or a trimester round trip cost of \$84, or provide documentation to establish a fee exemption. Students who qualify for free/reduced meals may be exempt from transportation fees; students on an intra-district Program Improvement transfer, or who have a special education IEP, are exempt from transportation fees.

It is anticipated that bus passes will be issued to all riders in early October 2009. STA will transport students, with or without a bus pass, but will issue a "citation" to remind those riders who do not have a valid buss pass to apply for one.

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Adams Elementary School	Harding Elementary School	Peabody Charter School	Goleta Valley Junior High School	Dos Pueblos High School
Cesar Chavez Charter School	McKinley Elementary School	Roosevelt Elementary School	La Colina Junior High School	La Cuesta Continuation High School
Cleveland Elementary School	Monroe Elementary School	Santa Barbara Charter School	La Cumbre Junior High School	San Marcos High School
Franklin Elementary School	Open Alternative School	Santa Barbara Community Academy	Santa Barbara Junior High School	Santa Barbara High School
		Washington Elementary School		