



# Instructor Bulletin 22-70



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## Home to School Transportation Reimbursement Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Home-to-School (HTS) Transportation Reimbursement was implemented by Assembly Bill (AB) 181 (Chapter 52, Statutes of 2022) and amended by AB 185 (Chapter 571, Statutes of 2022). It provides reimbursement funding for school districts and county office of education based on the prior year eligible transportation expenditures and prior year Local Control Funding Formula transportation related add-on funding.

California *Education Code (EC)* Section 39800.1

(a) 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.

California *Education Code (EC)* Section 41850.1

(c) The department shall annually collect and publish transportation data from each local educational agency providing pupil transportation services and that receives an apportionment pursuant to this section. The data shall encompass ridership, miles driven, expenditure details, the number of pupils transported, the demographic characteristics of pupils transported, including race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status, and other data facilitating comparisons among local educational agencies. The department shall determine the specific data elements in consultation with the Legislature and with local experts, including the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team established pursuant to Section 42127.8.

The California Department of Education has created a “Frequently Asked Questions” (FAQ) website that will assist in the clarification of inquiries the department has received from the industry.

Through the statutes authorizing this funding (California Education Code Section 39800.1 and Section 41850.1) The California Department of Education is providing guidance on topics that can be found at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/tn/tr/>:

- Home-to-School Transportation Reimbursement Funding
- Home-to-School Transportation Service Plan
- Home-to-School Transportation Data Collection

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