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To: Parents & Guardians in the Eureka Union School District
 From: Melody Glaspey, Chief Business Officer
 Re: **Transportation Fee Applications for 2019-2020**
 Date: 05/28/19

We are happy to confirm that the EUSD will again provide bus transportation for our students next year and we look forward to your participation in the program. EUSD has been fortunate to maintain this service even though it is not fully funded by the State and we have not received increased funding from the State for this program in several years. In the interest of continuing to offer **the safest and most economical way to transport students**, the EUSD continues to support this program as a priority, as it directly affects the ability of some students to attend school regularly and on time, and provides the opportunity for cost effective field trips which enrich the educational program.

CONTINUING THIS YEAR – FREE TRIAL PASS

For those families who have not participated in the past – we encourage you to consider using the safest method of transportation to/from school – the big yellow school bus! In addition to safety of the riders, there are added benefits to using the buses, including significant mitigation of traffic congestion at school sites, which contributes to school safety and a “greener” environment. **Our district will be offering a 30-day trial pass** which can be used at the beginning of the school year, with regular pass pricing available thereafter. This is first come/first serve and will be limited to space available on existing routes so be sure to get your Bus Fee Applications submitted early. The passes will be valid through Friday 09/27/2019, and are only available upon submission and approval of a Bus Pass Application.

CONTINUING THIS YEAR – 4 RIDE PUNCH CARD PASS

Although some families choose other methods for transportation to/from school, there are those occasional times when personal “emergencies” (e.g., unanticipated late work schedules for parents) lead to the need for a ride to/from school via bus – when least expected and not convenient. A helpful way to make these situations a little less disruptive to your children is to have a limited 4-ride punch card pass on hand. A bus pass application is still needed, to ensure your child’s safety, but the punch card is a more affordable option if you do not anticipate needing a punch card for 20 rides.

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE! Please note that completed applications for annual full day passes submitted **on or before Thursday 07/11/19 will receive a 10% discount**. In addition, if your completed application is submitted by this deadline, your name will be entered into a drawing for a **free annual pass** for the new school year. A substantial discount will continue to be offered for families with more than 2 students purchasing annual passes – 50% discount for the 3rd child and no charge for any additional children.

The daily cost of an annual bus pass is now \$2.01 (\$1.81 with early purchase discount), continues to be affordable and very comparable to driving a student to/from school, as estimated in the following sample calculation:

Sample Calculation of Cost to Drive:

(not including parking lot inconvenience or lost time due to congestion)

one way miles	round-trip	a.m./p.m.	days of school	miles @ gal	\$ @ gal	Sample annual cost of driving	Cost of Single Annual Pass	Max cost of Family Annual Pass
3	2	2	180	25	3.47	\$ 299	\$ 362	\$ 905

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CONTINUING PAYMENT OPTIONS Our District has implemented an on-line payment system for bus passes through the MySchoolBucks (MSB) portal, similar to the lunch program. Updated information about account setup and access is posted on the Transportation website. Important – please note that the Transportation account MSB will be separate from the lunch program as those funds are held by the Roseville JUSD. Please do not submit Transportation applications or payments to the school sites as delays may occur in processing. Cash payments must be made in person at the Transportation office.

Printable PDF Bus Pass Applications and other information regarding process of obtaining passes and general operational policies of our Transportation Department may be accessed on the district website at <http://www.eurekausd.org/Departments/Transportation/index.html>. To expedite processing, please e-mail the completed applications to buspass@eurekausd.org or they may be mailed or submitted personally to the District Transportation Office at 5461 Eureka Rd, Suite #2 (behind the District Office). **Please note if payment is being submitted via MySchoolBuck a separate bus pass application is not needed.** Office hours will be posted on the website, as they may vary between the school year and summer. Submitting your application and payment well in advance will ensure that your student(s) have access to their passes on Class Assignment Night(s) so that the first day of school on 8/15/2019 is very smooth. Passes not picked up at Class Assignment Night will be available from the driver on the student’s assigned bus; bus passes will not be mailed.

New routes will be posted as soon as available during the summer, and existing routes are available for review. Please note that these are the basic structures of the routes, and stop times are subject to change throughout the year depending upon ridership.

2019-20						
	Purchased after 07/11/19	Cost Per Ride	Purchased before 07/11/19 discounted 10%- applies to annual full day pass only	Cost per ride (one way)	Reduced rate for 3rd child (no charge for additional over 3rd child)	Reduced rate for 4th child (n/c for additional over 4th)
ANNUAL PASS - FULL DAY <i>(per student up to 2 per family -- 50% discount 3rd child; 4th child free)</i>	\$362	\$1.01	\$326	\$1.05	\$181	-
ANNUAL PASS - ONE WAY	\$189	\$1.05	\$189	\$1.05	n/a	n/a
SEMESTER PASS - FULL DAY	\$189	\$1.05	\$189	\$1.05	n/a	n/a
SEMESTER PASS - ONE WAY	\$109	\$1.21	\$109	\$1.21	n/a	n/a
SINGLE RIDE PUNCH CARD	\$43	\$2.15	\$43	\$2.15	n/a	n/a

Note: Application for free home to school transportation based on household income eligibility is available on the back of the Bus Pass Application, and approval is dependent upon complete documentation requested for proof of family income. A separate application for Free/Reduced Lunch Eligibility must also be submitted through the Lunch Program at [Nutrition Services - Free Reduced Application](#) and will be available after July 1.)

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