

State of Alaska FY2008 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development Pupil Transportation Component Budget Summary

Component: Pupil Transportation

Contribution to Department's Mission

Provide grants to school districts for transportation services in a timely manner.

Core Services

Alaska Statute 14.09.010 establishes a grant program to school districts that operate pupil transportation programs. The per student grant amounts are calculated by dividing the FY2003 actual reimbursement by the number of students in the district. The annual grant entitlement is determined by multiplying the per student grant amount by the actual number of students in the district. 22 of the 49 school districts receiving grants for pupil transportation services have contracted for transportation services to and from school with one or more private school bus operators. Fourteen districts run district-operated fleets and 6 districts run a combination of district owned and contracted fleets. Seven districts reimburse parents in-lieu of providing transportation.

FY2008 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2008 Component Budget: \$53,568,500	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

Continuing to find cost-effective means of providing transportation services is a key issue to school districts. Ensuring student safety through bus driver training, school bus inspections, and drug and alcohol testing of bus drivers continues to be a key issue.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2008

There are no significant changes in the results to be delivered in FY2008.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2006

In FY2006 the Department of Education & Early Development distributed approximately \$54.9 million to 49 school districts transporting students to and from school daily.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

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**Pupil Transportation
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	54,319.9	54,707.2	53,568.5
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	54,319.9	54,707.2	53,568.5
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	54,319.9	54,707.2	53,568.5
Funding Totals	54,319.9	54,707.2	53,568.5

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2007 Management Plan to FY2008 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2007 Management Plan	54,707.2	0.0	0.0	54,707.2
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Projected Entitlement Adjustment	-1,138.7	0.0	0.0	-1,138.7
FY2008 Governor	53,568.5	0.0	0.0	53,568.5