
Status Report: District Transportation for Students with Disabilities

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Background:

The SCUSD Community Advisory Committee has previously been informed that the *majority* of the **students with disabilities (SWD)** who receive transportation services are students attending a Special Day Class (SDC) at a site that is NOT their home school.

The district is required to *offer* transportation services to students who receive services at a site that is not their home school.

The Council of Great City Schools reviewed services for students with disabilities in SCUSD in 2017 and found the district over uses Special Day Classes to educate SWD. The report, also known as “the audit,” can be found [online](#).

Overview

- Over **6,500 students** qualify for special education and related services in the Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD).
- Approximately **1,700 students** with disabilities receive transportation services as part of their Individualized Education Plans.

HOW DID WE GET HERE?

Why are SCUSD Students with Disabilities transported to school?

The district is required to *offer* transportation services to students who receive services at a site that is not their home school.

26%

of students with disabilities receive transportation services

167

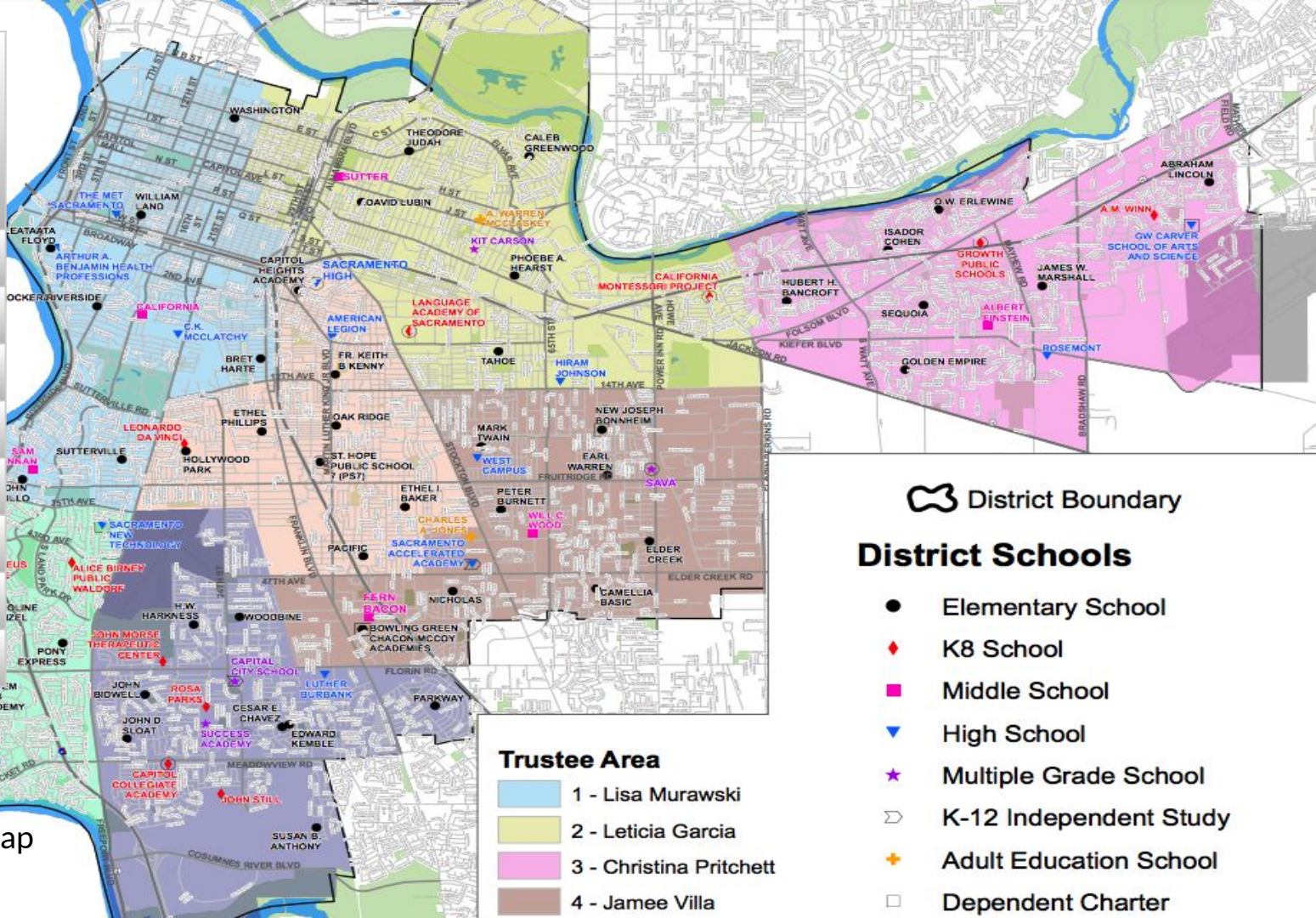
Special Day Classes offered by the district.

The [complete list](#) is available online.

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School Sites with Special Day Classes (68% of school sites have at least one SDC)

Board Area	Total SWD receiving transportation Services	SDC classes
1	290	30
2	283	28
3	321	29
4	144	14
5	317	28
6	244	21
7	125	13
Total	1724	163



 District Boundary

District Schools

-  Elementary School
-  K8 School
-  Middle School
-  High School
-  Multiple Grade School
-  K-12 Independent Study
-  Adult Education School
-  Dependent Charter

Trustee Area

-  1 - Lisa Murawski
-  2 - Leticia Garcia
-  3 - Christina Pritchett
-  4 - Jamee Villa

[Link to Board Map](#)



Current Status: Not Enough District Bus Drivers

1,190

**Approximate # of SWD driven
by SCUSD bus drivers**

These students are being transported via school bus as usual.

110

**Approximate # of SWD being
driven by contracted drivers**

These students are being transported by contracted drivers in non-district vehicles.

Ongoing Issues

- **25 current open bus driver positions**
- **Average travel time for students is 45-90 minutes**
- **Disproportionate use of SDCs**

Discussion

Questions:

for the district

- How were families informed a contractor would be providing transportation for their student?
- Were families offered alternatives to contracted transportation?
- Are there alternatives for families that did not accept contracted transportation?

Questions:

for families

- How do families and students feel about their transportation options?
- Are there alternatives that would work better for families
- What do families want to see for their students?

Wrap-up and Next Steps
