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**Transportation Department**

July 8, 2020

**Re: Elimination of Home to School Transportation**

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Dear SDUHSD Families,

At its meeting on June 18, 2020, the SDUHSD Board of Education made the decision to restructure the Transportation Department to better serve our students with the highest needs. As part of this restructuring comes the decision to eliminate middle school home-to-school transportation for general education students beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. The routes that will remain will be for students with special needs that require transportation as well as our two shuttle bus routes to Torrey Pines and Sunset High Schools for our low-income students.

This was a difficult decision for the Board and one that was taken with serious contemplation but one that was made in order to prevent cuts to the classroom. This action will allow the transportation department to increase school bus transportation to our students with special needs and will reduce the number of special education routes handled by outside contractors, most of them by car or van.

Beginning August 25, 2020, school bus transportation services will no longer be available for general education middle school students. Parents/guardians should begin to make alternative transportation arrangements for their students.

We understand this decision will cause inconvenience for many of our students and families. We regret these circumstances and will share alternative options within the next couple of weeks. Please look at our transportation [website](#) for resources to those alternative options.

Sincerely,

Tina Douglas  
Associate Superintendent, Business Services