

# Welcome Task Force Members & Guests

## A few notes prior to the meeting starting:

Task Force Members please have your camera on, audio muted, and relevant documents available at the beginning of the meeting.

- Welcome to the public who are watching the meeting via Live Streaming.
- If the public has any questions or comments regarding *transportation operations*, these can be sent via email to Susan Miller at [miller\\_s@cde.state.co.us](mailto:miller_s@cde.state.co.us)
- If the public has any questions or comments regarding *transportation funding*, these can be sent via email to Amy Carman at [carman\\_a@cde.state.co.us](mailto:carman_a@cde.state.co.us)

# SB 23-094 School Transportation Task Force



**April 9, 2024**

**Virtual Meeting**

# Overview of Today's Agenda

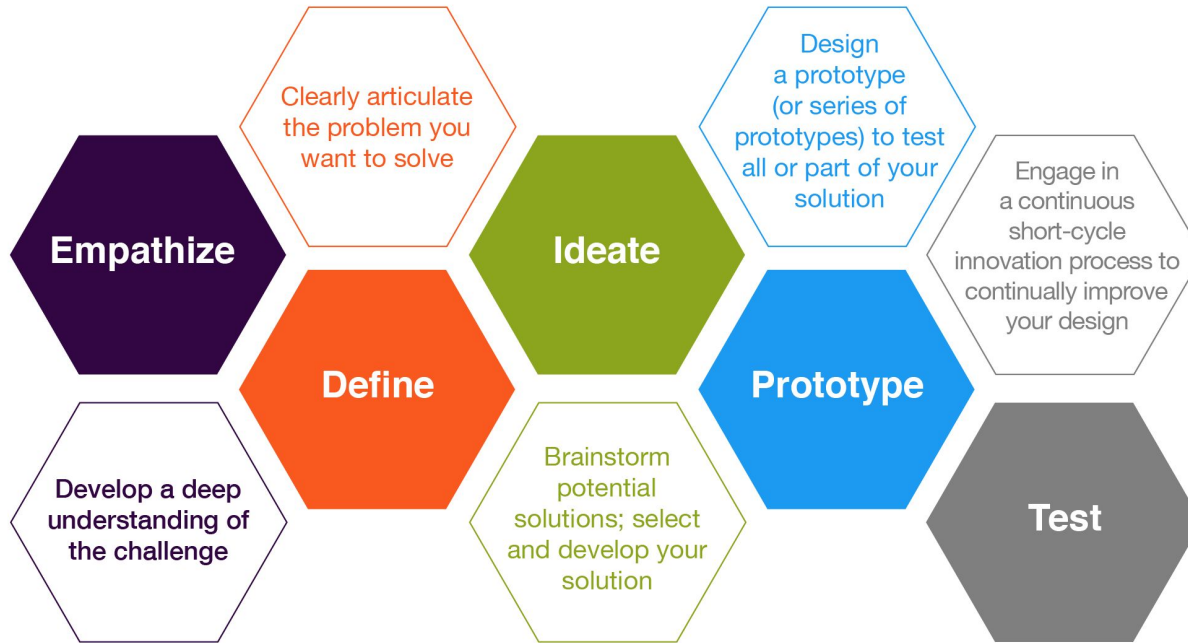
1. Agenda Item #1- Data Collection Update
2. Agenda Item #2- Review Transportation Requirements
3. Agenda Item #3- Review Driver Survey Results
4. Agenda Item #4- Review Parent/Guardian Survey Results
5. Agenda Item #5- Review District Data Request Info
6. Agenda Item #6- Next Steps

# Guidelines for Interaction, Deliberation and Collaboration

- Respect others
- Cameras on whenever possible
- High engagement from all members
- High level of trust with each other
- Assume positive intent
- Collaborate as a team to benefit our students
- Encourage open dialogue
- Respectful dialogue
- Enable every member to have a voice
- Consider other member's experience and knowledge
- Consider other member's viewpoints
- Avoid assumptions
- Avoid personal or professional motives
- Provide and review topics in advance
- Establish clear agendas and desired outcomes for each meeting
- Develop clear goals and objectives
- Keep the work task and outcome oriented
- Keep the interests of the task force and the needs of the students at the forefront of the work.
- Keep students at the center of the conversation

Key Norm Areas:  
*Decision Making Norm*  
*Equality of Process*  
*Conflict Resolution*

# Design Thinking



# Data Collection Update

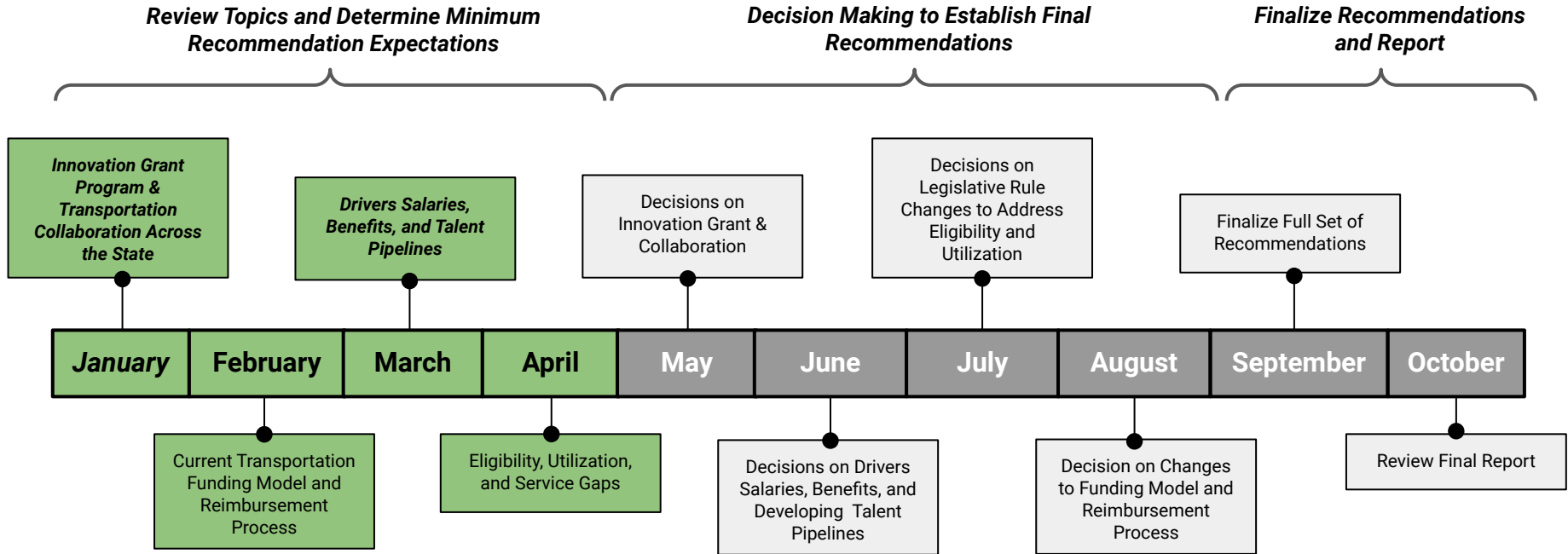
## Parent/Guardian Survey and Driver Survey

- Number of responses final counts
  - Parent/Guardian Survey- 1362
  - Driver Survey- 452

## District Data Request

- Number of districts that provided info
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# Project Plan



*We will have quorum for the July meeting so it can remain on the original date.*

22-107-104 (2)(k) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION OR RULES THAT MAY IMPROVE SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATION OR RULES THAT DO NOT EXACERBATE THE MARGINALIZATION OF COMMUNITIES THROUGH SEPARATION WHILE PROTECTING PUBLIC FUNDS



# Current Transportation Requirements

Empathize



Current Federal law requires school transportation be provided to the following groups:

- Students with **Special Needs**
- Students in **Foster Care**
- Students who are **Homeless**

# Current Transportation Requirements

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## 2022 Colorado Code

### Title 22 - Education

### Article 32 - School District Boards - Powers and Duties

### § 22-32-113. Transportation of Pupils - When

**SECTION 22-32-113(1) (C) AND (D) - TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS – WHEN 22-32-113.** Transportation of pupils - when (1) The board of education of a school district **may furnish transportation:** (a) To and from public schools of the district for any reasonable classification of resident pupils enrolled in the schools of the district; (b) To and from public schools located in an adjacent state for any reasonable classification of resident pupils who have not completed the twelfth grade, but only if the district of attendance is one to which the district of residence of such pupils is authorized to pay tuition for the attendance of such pupils; (c) To and from public schools for any reasonable classification of pupils enrolled in the schools of the district who are residents of any other school district, **IF THE DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE IS ADJACENT TO THE DISTRICT OF ATTENDANCE, AND IF THE BOARD OR OTHER GOVERNING BODY OF THE DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE CONSENTS TO SUCH TRANSPORTATION;** (d) To and from any school-sponsored activity, or for any emergency, for any reasonable classification of resident pupils enrolled in the schools of the district, whether said activity or emergency be within or without the territorial limits of the 66 district, and whether or not occurring during school hours.

# Current Transportation Requirements

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## 2022 Colorado Code

### Title 22 - Education

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### § 22-32-113. Transportation of Pupils - When

**SECTION 22-32-113(2) - TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS** - WHEN A board **may** determine the points at which pupils shall be received and delivered and the routes of transportation pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

**SECTION 22-32-113(3) - TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS** - WHEN If it is impractical, as determined by the board, to furnish transportation to and from school for any resident pupil enrolled or eligible to be enrolled in the schools of the district pursuant to subsection (1) (a), (1) (b), or (1) (c) of this section, the board **may** pay the cost, or any portion thereof, of room and board for the pupil to reside at a point near a school of the district of residence or a school of a district to which the district of residence is authorized to pay tuition.

## 2022 Colorado Code

### Title 22 - Education

### Article 32 - School District Boards - Powers and Duties

### § 22-32-113. Transportation of Pupils - When

**SECTION 22-32-113(4) - TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS** - WHEN A board **may** reimburse a parent or guardian for the expenses incurred by such parent or guardian in furnishing transportation to and from a public school or designated school vehicle stop for his or her child or children and for other pupils enrolled in the schools of the district, BUT THE BOARD SHALL NOT REIMBURSE ANY PERSON FOR TRANSPORTATION FURNISHED TO A PUPIL RESIDENT IN ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE BOARD OR OTHER GOVERNING BODY OF THE DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE. The amount and payment of transportation expenses are determined by the board paying the expenses.

**SECTION 22-32-114 – TRANSPORTATION BY PARENTS OF OWN CHILDREN** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 42-4-1904, C.R.S. the board of a school district shall not require a parent or guardian to comply with said statutes and school bus regulations when such parent or guardian shall transport only his or her own child or children, even though the board **may** reimburse such parent or guardian for expenses incurred in furnishing such transportation.

# Could we change may to shall

## In SY22-23

- 317,694 students were transported to and from school over a total of 47,411,248 miles.
- Works out to an average of 149 miles per student over the course of the year.

## In SY23-24

- 881,464 students in Colorado not including Charter school students.
- That would be an additional 563,770 students to be transported.
- Works out to 84,001,730 additional miles over the course of the year.

***If a yellow school bus gets 10 miles to the gallon, that would work out to over 8 million gallons of fuel needed per year. Even if the state could get fuel for \$2 per gallon, that would work out to over 16 million dollars for just the additional fuel required to transport those additional student.***



## Clarifying Questions

- Transportation to and from school for students with special needs and students in foster care or students who are homeless is a **MUST**
- All other forms of school transportation are a **MAY**



## Respondent Distribution

Urban Setting	Total	%
1- Denver Metro	133	29%
2- Urban-Suburban	163	36%
3- Outlying City	25	6%
4- Outlying Town	59	13%
5- Remote	59	13%
NA	13	3%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>100%</b>

Urban Setting	Total	%
<b>District</b>	404	89%
<b>Public</b>	19	4%
<b>Alternative</b>	3	<1%
<b>Third Party</b>	26	5.5%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>100%</b>

# Most district drivers work morning and afternoon



**Q35- During which of the following time frames do you usually drive? (check all that apply)**

	Morning Routes	Mid-Day Routes	Afternoon Routes	Extracurricular/Sport Routes	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	125	39	123	36	<b>323</b>
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	123	50	124	56	<b>353</b>
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	19	7	20	12	<b>58</b>
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	43	3	47	28	<b>121</b>
<b>5- Remote</b>	45	8	46	36	<b>135</b>
<b>NA or Other</b>	0	0	0	1	<b>1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>991</b>





# District routes are typically one hour or longer



**Q36- On average, how long is your route? (Time estimate include full round trip from leaving bus depot until returning to bus depot)**

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
<b>15-29 minutes</b>	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-0-2	
<b>30-44 minutes</b>	3-4-2	0-2-0	2-0-2	2-2-3	5-0-7	
<b>45-59 minutes</b>	3-6-4	4-8-2	3-3-2	3-0-5	14-2-11	
<b>60-90 minutes</b>	20-10-15	19-28-18	6-1-4	15-0-13	17-0-17	
<b>91-120 minutes</b>	43-11-37	31-3-30	4-0-5	13-11-6	6-3-8	
<b>More than 2 hours</b>	54-6-63	69-8-74	4-1-6	10-0-10	0-3-1	
<b>Grand Total</b>						<b>355-107-360</b>

#-#-# represents Morning-Midday-Afternoon responses



# The majority of district vehicles used require a CDL



**Q37-Which of the following types of vehicles do you drive for your route?**

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
School bus NOT requiring a commercial driver's license	11-6-10	1-0-1	0-2-1	1-1-2	8-0-8	
School bus requiring a commercial driver's license	106-31-104	122-50-123	19-4-19	42-1-44	35-4-33	
Small capacity vehicle	6-2-6	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-4-5	
Grand Total						355-107-360



# Student # on district buses varies by time and location

Empathize



## Q38- On average, how full is your route?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
Basically empty	7-6-8	4-15-3	0-2-0	0-2-0	0-3-1	
Less than half full	39-18-36	31-17-29	2-3-2	7-0-10	6-4-8	
More than half full	31-11-39	37-11-37	5-1-5	18-0-17	22-1-20	
Basically full	45-3-37	51-7-55	12-0-13	18-1-20	17-0-17	
Grand Total						352-105-347



# Most drive for extracurriculars once a week or less

Empathize



## Q45- How often do you drive for an Extracurricular/ Sports trip?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
Every day	2	5	0	0	0	7
Almost every day	2	8	0	1	3	14
At least once a week	11	8	4	12	4	39
Several times a month	8	13	5	6	15	47
At least once a month	7	11	0	4	4	26
A few times a year	6	11	3	4	10	34
About once a year	0	0	0	1	0	1
Grand Total	36	56	12	28	36	394



# A vast majority of extracurriculars take more than 2 hours



## Q46- On average, how long is your Extracurricular/Sport route?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
30-44 minutes	2	0	0	1	2	5
45-59 minutes	2	1	0	1	1	5
60-90 minutes	1	5	1	0	2	9
91-120 minutes	6	3	1	0	1	11
More than 2 hours	25	47	10	26	30	139
Grand Total	129	137	20	51	56	394

Almost all extracurricular vehicles require a CDL to operate and the vast majority are more than half full or basically full.



# Public drivers transport students throughout the day



**Q50- During which of the following time frames do you usually pick up or drop off students at a bus stop that provides access to their school?**

	Morning	Midday	Afternoon	Evening	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	1	0	1	0	2
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	3	3	5	1	12
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	1	0	1	0	2
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	1	0	1	0	2
<b>5- Remote</b>	1	0	1	0	2
<b>NA or Other</b>	4	2	7	3	16
<b>Grand Total</b>	11	5	16	4	36



# Public drivers transport relatively small numbers



**Q51- On average, how many students do you usually transport to stop(s) with access to a school?**

Number of students	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
1	0-0-0-0	1-1-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	
3	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0	
6	0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	
More than 10	1-0-1-0	2-1-3-2	1-0-1-0	1-0-1-0	0-0-0-0	
Grand Total						7-3-8-2

#-#-#-# represents Morning-Midday-Afternoon, and Evening responses





## Q55- During which of the following time frames do you drive?

	Morning Routes	Midday Routes	Afternoon Routes	Extracurricular/Sport Routes	Grand Total
1- Denver Metro	0	0	0	0	0
2- Urban-Suburban	19	3	20	7	49
3- Outlying City	5	0	5	1	11
4- Outlying Town	2	0	1	0	3
5- Remote	2	1	2	0	5
NA or Other	1	0	0	0	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>69</b>





# Alternative/Third Party drivers often drive school buses

Empathize



**Q56- Which of the following best describes the vehicle you drive?**

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
Car	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	
Other	0-0-0	18-3-7	5-1-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	
SUV	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	
Van	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	
Grand Total						27-5-10

In every case "Other" referred to a full-size school bus

Extracurricular transport was also most common in Urban-Suburban areas and involved school buses



# Alternative/Third Party drivers often drive more than 10 students

Empathize



## Q58- How many students do you transport in your vehicle?

Number of students	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
1	0-0-0	0-1-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	
2	0-0-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-1	
5	0-0-0	0-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	
6	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	
8	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	
More than 10	0-0-0	16-1-17	5-0-5	0-0-0	1-0-1	
Grand Total						26-4-26

Extracurricular transport typically involved transporting more than 10 students at a time



# Alternative/Third Party drivers often takes well over an hour

Empathize



## Q59- On average, how long is your route?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
15-29 minutes	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	
30-44 minutes	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	
45-59 minutes	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	
60-90 minutes	0-0-0	4-1-5	2-0-0	1-0-1	1-0-1	
91-120 minutes	0-0-0	10-1-8	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	
More than 2 hours	0-0-0	3-1-5	1-0-3	0-0-0	0-1-0	
Grand Total						28-4-28

Extracurricular transport typically takes more than 2 hours to complete





## Clarifying Questions

- A majority of district routes, regardless of time of day, route type, or district setting are a minimum of 1 hour in duration, and many are over 2 hours.
- A majority of district routes are over half full or basically full, especially in more rural areas.
- Public transportation and alternative/third party transportation appears to be most common in urban/suburban areas.
- Alternative/third party transportation often involves the use of full size school buses.

***What are some potential areas of focus?***

Break





# Parent/Guardian survey respondent distribution

Urban Setting	Total	%
1- Denver Metro	169	12.5%
2- Urban-Suburban	356	26%
3- Outlying City	60	4.5%
4- Outlying Town	342	25%
5- Remote	411	30%
NA	24	2%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1362</b>	<b>100%</b>

- Respondents eligible for free or reduced meals, and respondents eligible for neither were represented across all district setting. (33% of respondents indicated they were eligible for either free or reduced meals)

Urban Setting	Total	%
American Indian	47	3%
Asian	47	3%
Black	43	3%
Hispanic	232	15%
Native Hawaiian	12	<1%
White	961	63%
None of the above	8	<1%
Choose not to share	176	11%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1526</b>	<b>100%</b>

- Respondents represented every grade level across all district settings.

# District transportation is the most common transportation

Empathize



## Q11- Which forms of transportation are available to your student?

	District Transportation	Public Transportation	Alternative	Reimbursements	None	Grand Total
1- Denver Metro	28	17	6	0	42	93
2- Urban-Suburban	156	1	2	0	12	171
3- Outlying City	31	1	1	0	1	34
4- Outlying Town	222	4	0	1	15	242
5- Remote	260	1	3	1	23	288
Grand Total	697	24	12	2	93	818

The distance that students live from the school they attend varies widely across all district settings, however, **students in more rural areas tend to live further away** from their school. **62% of respondents said their school or district had contacted them about transportation options that were available to them**, while only 11% of respondents said their school or district had made them aware of alternative transportation options for students with special needs.



# Outside of Denver, most students attend their neighborhood school

Empathize



## Q6 Does your student attend their neighborhood school?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
My student attends a different school	100	69	10	45	80	304
My student attends their neighborhood school based on their home address	67	283	48	281	326	1005
Not Sure	2	4	2	16	5	29
Grand Total	169	356	60	342	411	1338





# Most families would not change schools if transportation was provided



## Q7 Would you have your student attend a different school if transportation was available?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
No	31	179	31	174	213	628
Not Sure	19	64	5	54	69	211
Yes	16	40	11	40	39	146
Grand Total	66	283	47	268	321	985



# Most families have not requested different transportation



## Q17 Have you ever requested a different form of transportation?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
No	128	332	57	318	394	1248
Yes	37	24	2	11	12	90
Grand Total	165	356	59	329	406	1340

87% of requests were denied. Most common reasons for denial were

- Within walk zone
- Not enough drivers and/or busses
- No bussing available in the district
- Not enough funding



# Families often use district transport or drive themselves

Empathize



## Q24- What form of transportation does your student currently use?

	District	Public	Alternative	Reimbursement	Family Chooses to Drive	Not Eligible	Grand Total
1- Denver Metro	31	15	2	0	96	65	209
2- Urban-Suburban	237	3	7	1	166	23	437
3- Outlying City	24	1	0	0	38	5	68
4- Outlying Town	203	6	1	1	171	32	414
5- Remote	226	0	6	0	225	41	498
NA	5	4	1	0	12	5	27
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>1653</b>



# Family transport is primarily a choice, not a necessity

Empathize



**Q24- What form of transportation does your student currently use?**

Of the 708 families that choose to drive, only **66 also indicated that they were not eligible** for district transportation.

Of the 708 families that choose to drive, **223 also indicated that they were eligible** for district transportation.

**Of the 171 families that indicated they were not eligible for district transportation, 106 did not select any other transportation options.**



# Some families pay for district transportation

Empathize



## Q15- Is your student's current transportation method free?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
Not Sure	2	2	2	8	8	22
Our family pays for our student to ride to and from school	3	8	0	9	6	26
Transportation to and from school is free	28	229	22	186	213	678
Grand Total	33	239	24	203	227	726



# Families are most interested in district transportation

Empathize



## Q16 Which form(s) of transportation would you be most interested in?

	District	Public	Alternative	Reimbursements	Wouldn't use any	Grand Total
1- Denver Metro	143	28	29	36	13	249
2- Urban-Suburban	296	27	51	77	43	494
3- Outlying City	34	11	9	14	16	84
4- Outlying Town	251	20	31	75	50	427
5- Remote	286	18	32	76	96	508
NA	18	3	3	7	2	33
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1028</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>1795</b>



# District Transportation Summary

Empathize



## Q38- Which best describes the district transportation?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
Other	0	0	0	2	4	6
Traditional full size yellow school bus	30	226	20	191	211	678
Traditional mini yellow school bus	0	1	2	5	3	11
Grand Total	30	227	22	198	218	695

A majority of respondents were *happy with the amount of time for the route, number of passengers on the vehicle, number of stops made by the vehicle, as well as the safety and reliability of the mode of transport*. However, the majority of families had to walk a short distance or drive to their bus stop.



# District Transportation Summary

Empathize



## Q46- Is district transportation to after-school programs available?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
No	20	110	12	105	82	329
Not Sure	8	93	7	62	69	239
Yes	2	24	3	31	67	127
Grand Total	30	227	22	198	218	695

***Only half of the respondents that indicated their district provided transportation to after-school programs utilized the transportation.*** However, a majority of the respondents that indicated their district did not provide transportation to after-school programs said they would use it if it was available.





# No Transportation Eligible Summary



## Q27 If district transportation was available would you use it?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
No	5	0	0	4	8	17
Not Sure	9	0	1	6	11	28
Yes	51	22	4	22	19	122
Grand Total	165	356	59	329	406	1340

Most common reasons that transportation is not available

- Within walk zone- 25%
- Attend school out of district- 32%
- No transportation in district- 17%
- Other reason or don't know- 26%



# Family drives summary

Empathize



## Q31 Why does your family choose to transport your student?

	Too much time	Safety pass	Safety driver	Safety vehicle	Stop location	Safety walking	Timing	Unreliable	Personal preferred	Too crowded	Special needs	Insufficient reimburse	Other
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	15	14	2	1	8	8	14	8	8	1	1	0	9
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	32	15	7	2	33	27	47	20	32	13	1	0	18
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	8	7	2	3	6	4	9	2	10	4	0	0	5
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	43	10	7	0	15	14	51	10	41	6	0	2	40
<b>5- Remote</b>	34	13	4	0	22	12	43	12	66	8	3	0	58
<b>NA</b>	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>133</b>

Most common “Other” reasons was that the parent worked at the student’s school





## Q33 Would anything change your mind?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	Grand Total
No	14	65	16	89	121	305
Yes	23	39	10	42	37	151
Grand Total	37	104	26	131	158	456

- Yes- electric buses, different school start times. First off bus and last on bus, time and location more convenient for me, more supervision on the bus
- No- personal preference, too much time on the bus, inconvenient pick up or drop off time, concerns about other passengers



# Public and Alternative Summary

Empathize



## Q50- Which best describes your student's mode of transportation?

	Public	Rideshare	Taxi	Private Company car/van	Other	
1- Denver Metro	12	1	0	3	6	22
2- Urban-Suburban	1	1	0	3	6	11
3- Outlying City	1	0	0	0	0	1
4- Outlying Town	4	0	0	1	4	9
5- Remote	0	0	0	1	5	6
NA	3	2	0	0	1	6
Grand Total	21	4	0	8	22	55

A majority of respondents were *happy with the amount of time for the route, number of passengers on the vehicle, number of stops made by the vehicle, as well as the safety and reliability of the mode of transport*. However, 78% of respondents indicated they would use district transport if they were eligible.



# Parent/Guardian Survey Results



## Clarifying Questions

- A majority of families have district transportation available, attend their neighborhood school, and would not change schools if transportation was available to a different school.
- A large percentage of families choose to drive their children to school even if transportation options are available and many indicated they drove due to personal preference.
- District transportation was typically not available due to walking distance to the school, the student attending school out of district, or the district not providing any transportation.
- After-school transportation options were limited however, only about half of families that had access to after-school transportation utilized it, while a majority of those that didn't have access indicated they would use it if it was available.

***What are some potential areas of focus?***

Break





# District data request respondent distribution

Empathize

	# Districts	# Filled Out	% Filled per Category	Did Not Fill Out	% Who Did Not Fill per Category
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	15	13	87%	2	13%
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	15	12	80%	3	20%
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	13	6	46%	7	54%
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	49	32	65%	17	35%
<b>5- Remote</b>	86	48	56%	38	44%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>38%</b>

# District most commonly provide traditional bus transport

Empathize



## Select primary transportation method offered to eligible students

	No District Transportation	Not Specified	Non-Traditional	Public Transportation	Traditional Yellow Bus	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-1	13-13-12	
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	12-12-12	
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	6-6-6	
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	0-0-0	2-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-2	30-31-29	
<b>5- Remote</b>	3-2-2	3-4-4	2-2-2	0-0-1	39-40-39	
<b>CSI</b>	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-1	
<b>Grand Total</b>						

## represent grades K-5, 6-8, & 9-12



# Transportation is often limited in walk zones

Empathize



## Who is eligible for district transportation?

	All students	Within transportation boundary	Outside walk zone, within transportation boundary	One or more of following groups: special needs, homeless, foster care	No district transportation	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	1	1	11	0	0	0	<b>13</b>
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	3	0	8	1	0	0	<b>12</b>
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	4	0	2	0	0	0	<b>6</b>
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	9	2	18	0	0	3	<b>32</b>
<b>5- Remote</b>	21	4	15	0	3	5	<b>48</b>
<b>CSI</b>	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>112</b>

# Transportation is available outside limits

Empathize



## Is transportation ever available outside of district limits?

	Total districts	Transportation services are offered outside of district limits under certain circumstances	%
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	13	11	<b>85%</b>
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	12	8	<b>67%</b>
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	6	2	<b>33%</b>
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	32	18	<b>56%</b>
<b>5- Remote</b>	47	20	<b>43%</b>
<b>CSI</b>	1	0	<b>0%</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>53%</b>

# Walk zones in urban areas tend to increase with age



## Is there a walk zone policy by grade?

	<= .5 mi	0.6 to 1 mi	1.1 to 1.5 mi	1.6 to 2 mi	> 2 mi	City limits	NA	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	0-0-0	8-0-0	4-5-1	1-5-5	0-3-7	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	0-0-0	4-1-0	3-3-3	0-2-2	0-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	5-5-5	
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	0-0-0	4-2-2	1-2-2	1-1-1	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	4-3-3	11-7-7	2-7-5	0-0-2	0-0-0	3-3-3	2-2-2	10-10-10	
<b>5- Remote</b>	3-3-3	8-8-8	1-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-3-3	7-7-7	26-26-26	
<b>CSI</b>	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-1	0-0-0	
<b>Grand Total</b>									

#-#-# represent grades K-5, 6-8, & 9-12

# Public transportation is typically not available



## What is your public transit access policy?

	All students have public transit access	Unique criteria to determine eligibility (e.g., student transit route is < certain time or distance)	Distance from school determines access	No free public transit	Other	Not specified	Grand Total
1- Denver Metro	1	2	1	7	2	0	13
2- Urban-Suburban	1	2	0	7	0	2	12
3- Outlying City	1	0	1	1	1	2	6
4- Outlying Town	2	0	2	24	1	3	32
5- Remote	7	1	1	27	2	10	48
CSI	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>112</b>

# Number of busses varies widely across the state

Empathize



## How many busses are owned or leased by the district?

	0	2 to 5	6 to 15	16 to 25	26 to 50	51 to 100	100 to 200	200+	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	2	0	2	0	1	0	2	3	3	<b>13</b>
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	0	6	<b>12</b>
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	<b>6</b>
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	0	2	11	5	3	0	0	0	11	<b>32</b>
<b>5- Remote</b>	0	8	24	1	0	0	0	0	15	<b>48</b>
<b>CSI</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>112</b>

# Number of routes varies widely across the state



## How many routes does your district run?

	1 to 5	6 to 15	16 to 50	51 to 100	101 to 250	1000 +	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	0	1	3	2	3	1	3	<b>13</b>
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	1	0	3	3	1	0	4	<b>12</b>
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	<b>6</b>
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	9	7	3	1	0	0	12	<b>32</b>
<b>5- Remote</b>	25	4	0	0	0	0	19	<b>48</b>
<b>CSI</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>112</b>

# Many districts have busses with 10 or fewer students



## Busses with 10 or fewer students?

	1	2 to 5	6 to 15	16 to 35	36 to 75	76 to 150	151 to 300	301 to 500	501 to 900	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	0-0	0-0	1-1	2-2	0-0	0-0	3-0	1-3	1-0	5-7	
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	0-0	2-1	2-1	1-0	0-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	5-7	
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	4-4	
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	6-5	3-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	23-24	
<b>5- Remote</b>	7-8	8-10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	33-30	
<b>CSI</b>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	
<b>Grand Total</b>											

#-# represent students routed & students riding

# Many districts have busses with less than 20 students

Empathize



## Busses with 11-20 students?

	1	2 to 5	6 to 15	16 to 35	36 to 75	76 to 150	151 to 300	301 to 500	501 to 900	Not Specified	Grand Total
1- Denver Metro	1-0	1-1	0-1	2-1	0-0	1-1	1-0	0-1	0-0	7-8	
2- Urban-Suburban	0-0	1-1	1-1	0-1	0-0	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	8-6	
3- Outlying City	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	5-5	
4- Outlying Town	5-5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	27-27	
5- Remote	8-9	7-6	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	32-32	
CSI	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	
Grand Total											

#-# represent students routed & students riding



# Few busses across the state have more than 20 students

Empathize



## Busses with 21-35 students?

	1	2 to 5	6 to 15	16 to 35	36 to 75	76 to 150	151 to 300	301 to 500	501 to 900	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	0-0	0-0	2-2	2-2	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	6-7	
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	0-0	0-0	1-2	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	9-8	
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	5-5	
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	2-3	6-7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	23-21	
<b>5- Remote</b>	6-7	9-9	2-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	31-29	
<b>CSI</b>	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	
<b>Grand Total</b>											

#-# represent students routed & students riding

# Few districts reported busses being over capacity



## How many busses are over capacity?

	1 to 5	6 to 15	16 to 50	51 to 100	101 to 250	1000 +	Not Specified	Grand Total
<b>1- Denver Metro</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	<b>13</b>
<b>2- Urban-Suburban</b>	0	1	2	0	0	0	9	<b>12</b>
<b>3- Outlying City</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	<b>6</b>
<b>4- Outlying Town</b>	4	2	0	0	0	0	26	<b>32</b>
<b>5- Remote</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	47	<b>48</b>
<b>CSI</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	<b>1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>112</b>

# Rural districts route manually while urban use software



## What method do you use to route students?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	CSI	Grand Total
Manually	1	1	1	12	22	1	38
Not Specified	2	4	1	15	24	0	46
Software	10	7	4	5	2	0	28
Grand Total	13	12	6	32	48	1	112

# Most districts track daily ridership manually



## What method do you use to track daily ridership?

	1- Denver Metro	2- Urban-Suburban	3- Outlying City	4- Outlying Town	5- Remote	CSI	Grand Total
<b>Attendance sheets</b>	1	1	1	3	6	0	<b>12</b>
<b>Manually</b>	4	5	3	8	11	0	<b>24</b>
<b>None</b>	0	0	0	3	4	0	<b>7</b>
<b>Not specified</b>	2	4	2	15	26	0	<b>49</b>
<b>Software</b>	6	2	0	3	1	1	<b>13</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>112</b>



## Clarifying Questions

- Transportation is often limited within a defined walk zone, however, transportation is often also available outside of district limits for certain purposes.
- Walk zones tend to be larger in more urban areas and do tend to increase with the age of the student and public transport is often not available to students.
- The number of busses utilized and routes run varies widely across the state as does the number of students routed and riding busses varies widely across the state. However, very few districts indicated the number of busses that were running over capacity.
- Routing of students and tracking of daily ridership is done primarily through manual methods across most district settings.

***What are some potential areas of focus?***

Should the Transportation Task Force move forward with the minimum requirements identified for eligibility and utilization recommendations?

## Decision Needed

1. Recommendation Stated
2. Fist to Five Vote
3. Articulate Concerns\*
4. Discussion of Concerns\*
5. Restate Decision & Record Vote



No way. I don't support this decision and I am vetoing.



I have strong reservations but will support the decision and will not veto.



I am uncomfortable with the decision but can live with it.



This decision is okay with me.



I support this decision.



I strongly support this decision.

# Next Steps

## Next Meeting:

Monday May 13th @ 10AM

## Next Topic:

Something

- *Agenda and Pre-reads will be sent out the week before*
- *If you have suggested readings for the group please send to Kate or Susan*

**Thank You!!**

*See you on May 13th*