

# Transportation Review Public Information Meeting #2

January 27, 2020



- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Review of December Meeting
- 3. Review of ThoughtExchange Feedback
- 4. Financial/Operational Information
- 5. Next Steps
- 6. Questions

### **Transportation Information Meeting Supporting our Strategic Plan**





### **Optimized Resources**

Financial stewardship will guide our decision making. We will be creative and responsible in the management of our educational resources.







To ensure a financially and operationally sustainable transportation system for our students.





# **Transportation Information Meeting Review of December Meeting**



- The following information was presented at the December meeting:
  - Policy eligibility criteria
  - Information on number of students transported & rider types
    - (approximately 3,000 students daily, 1,400 in-catchment, 1,000 district programs)
  - Financial information
    - User fees, transportation revenue & expenditures, Ministry funding
  - Review of the current issues



**Public Feedback Received** 



transportation
education available immersion
affordable walk kids cost parents work buses many Safe children bus live distance drivers time paytrips service bussing choice programs fee district increase catchment

#### **Public Feedback Received**



#### **Summary of ThoughtExchange Participation**



339 Participants shared thoughts





505 Participants rated thoughts





455 Participants explored thoughts



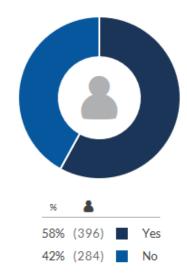
# **Transportation Information Meeting Who Participated**

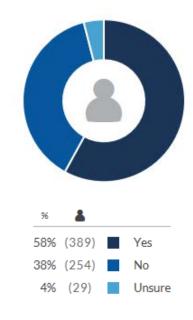


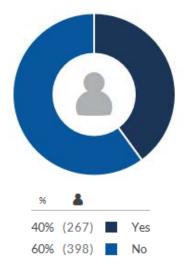
Do you currently access school district transportation services?

Does your child attend their neighbourhood catchment school?

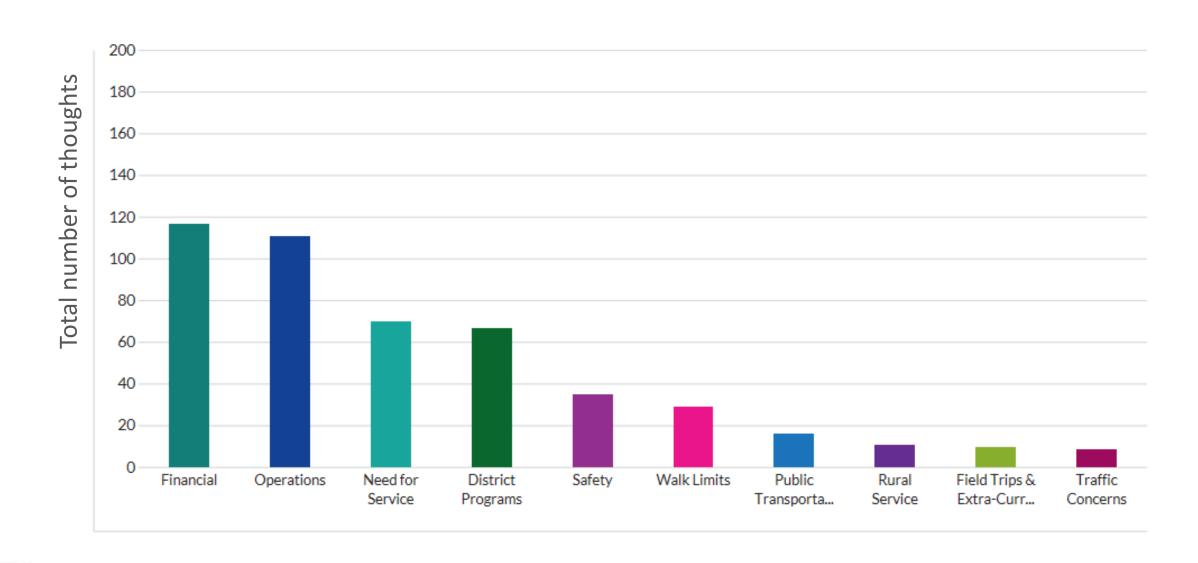
Is your child enrolled in a district program? (i.e. Traditional School, Integrated Arts, etc.)





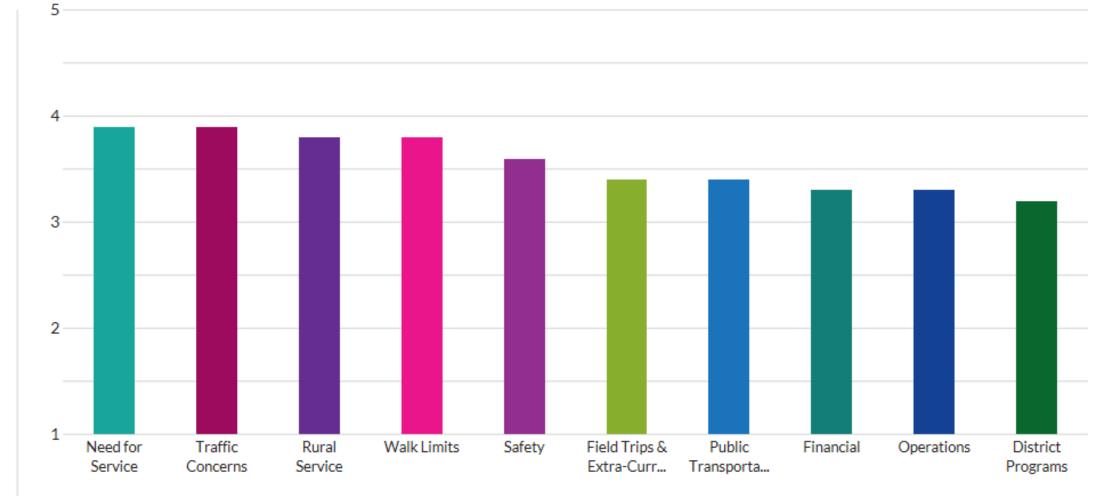




















# **Transportation Information Meeting Financial & Operational Information**



Review of Financial & Operational Information

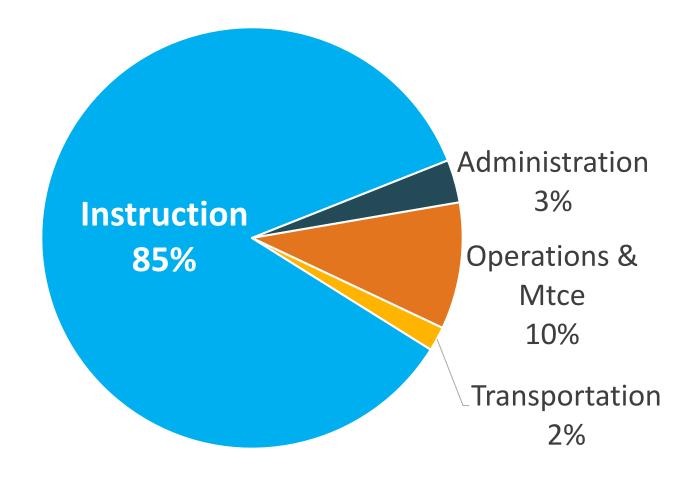




Transportation Revenue and Expenses	2018-19	
Revenues		
Ministry Transportation Grant	313,969	
Transportation Fees	529,205	
Total Revenues	843,174	
Total Transportation Expenses	3,520,095	
Net Transportation (Expense)	(2,676,921)	
Note: Operating Grant includes supplements for student location - \$2,185,013		



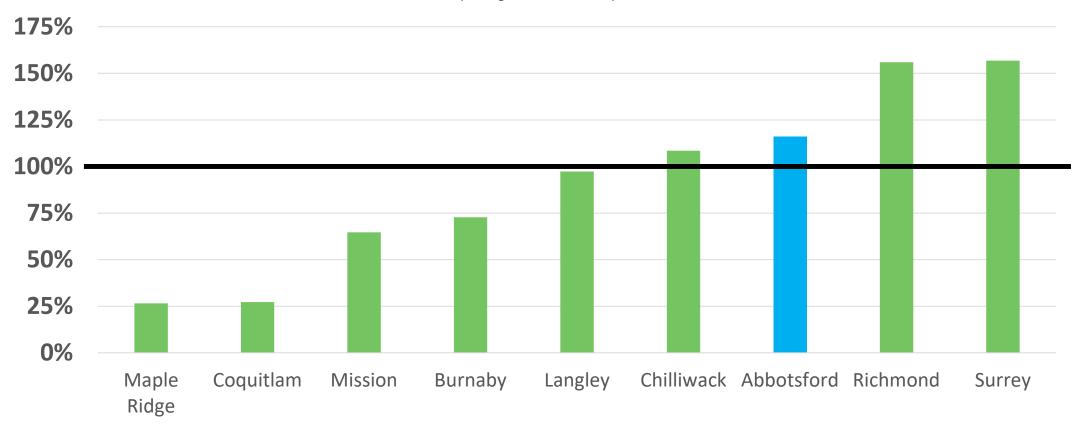
**2018-19 Actual Expenditures** 





### Transportation Spending as a % of all Revenue/Funding Sources

(Including Student Location Factor)





Transportation Fees	
<ul> <li>Eligible Riders</li> <li>Those living outside the walk limits of catchment school (3.2km Elem, 4.0km Mid/Sec, or hazardous crossing)</li> </ul>	No Fees
Special Needs	No Fees
Forced Transfer	No Fees
Non-eligible (courtesy riders)  • Those living within the walk limits of catchment school	\$400/\$600
District Programs & Cross Boundary (out of catchment)	\$600/\$800

# **Transportation Information Meeting Operational Information**



Number of Schools with Bus Service	Bussing Service	No Bussing
Elementary – Regular Program	11	16
Elementary – District Program	1	2
Middle – Regular Program	5	-
Middle – District Program	3	-
Secondary – Regular Program	4	-
Secondary – District Program	3	-
Note: Special Education program busses go to 19 different schools		

# **Transportation Information Meeting Operational Information**



#### Routes & Rider information

- 41 routes
  - Review routes for improvements in efficiency
- Priorities for service:
  - In-catchment, outside walk limits (no fees apply)
  - Hazardous crossings (in-catchment)
  - Out-of-catchment, forced transfer
  - Special Education
  - Out of catchment & district programs



# **Transportation Information Meeting Options**



How will we ensure the financial and operational sustainability of our student transportation services?

#### By considering options that, for example:

- Minimize impact on the operating budget
- Provide safe & reliable transportation services
- Reflect the current environment
- Considers public input

Based on the information provided, what options and/or priorities do you think should be considered?



### **Transportation Information Meeting Next Steps**



#### What's next?

- Continued review of financial & operational information
- Development/evaluation of options
- Budget recommendations to Board of Education
  - April 2020: Transportation recommendations presented
  - June 2020: Budget approval





Thank you!