



# Transportation Contract Renewals

April 4, 2024

# History: Regular & Special Ed In-District Transportation

- 2013: Contract with First Student for Regular Ed and Special Ed in-District transportation services
- Spring 2013: Went out to bid for all transportation services for the 2013-14 school year
  - Regular Ed rates dropped by 6.25%
  - Changed contractors from First Student to Illinois Central (IC)
  - Entered 3-year contract with IC
- Dec 2015: IC's leadership announced they would not seek renewal and advised us to go out to bid; IC stated their rates were too low to sustain
- Spring 2016: Went out to bid; Regular Ed rates increased by **19.6%**
- Spring 2019: Toward the end of this 3-year contract, we discussed an extension with IC and ultimately decided to go out to bid in spring 2019; Regular Ed rates increased by **6.25%**
- Spring 2022: Negotiated 2-year extension with IC for 15.5% increase for FY23 and 3.5% increase for FY24 (average increase of 9.5% over two years)

# Rate History: Regular Ed and Special Ed In-District Transportation

<b>RATE HISTORY:</b>				
<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Reg Ed rate (round trip)</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Notes:</b>
FY13	\$106.10		First Student	Went out to bid Spring 2013
FY14	\$99.46	-6.26%	Illinois Central	New 3-year contract with IC after bid process in spring 2013
FY15	\$101.94	2.49%	Illinois Central	
FY16	\$104.50	2.51%	Illinois Central	IC told us in Dec 2015 they would not renew; forced us to bid in spring 2016
FY17	\$124.98	19.60%	Illinois Central	New 3-year contract with IC after bid process in spring 2016
FY18	\$128.72	2.99%	Illinois Central	
FY19	\$132.58	3.00%	Illinois Central	
FY20	\$140.86	6.25%	Illinois Central	New 3-year contract with IC after bid process in spring 2019
FY21	\$143.86	2.13%	Illinois Central	
FY22	\$146.56	1.88%	Illinois Central	
FY23	\$169.28	15.50%	Illinois Central	2-year extension with IC
FY24	\$175.20	3.50%	Illinois Central	
PROPOSED FY25	\$199.73	14.00%		
PROPOSED FY26	\$209.22	4.75%		
PROPOSED FY27	\$217.07	3.75%		

# Current Situation: Regular Ed and Special Ed In-District Transportation

- Illinois Central (IC):
  - Current (FY24) round-trip rates: \$175.20 for Regular Ed, and \$227.78 for Special Ed in-District
  - IC has proposed:
    - 14% increase for FY25, which would bring the Regular Ed rate to \$199.73 and \$259.67 for Special Ed in-District for round trips
    - 4.75% increase for FY26 (rates of \$209.22 for Reg Ed and \$272.00 for Spec Ed); and
    - 3.75% increase for FY27 (rates of \$217.07 for Reg Ed and \$282.20 for Spec Ed)
  - 3-year average for above is 7.5%

# Comparables (Regular Ed Round-Trip Single Tier Daily Rates)

- **CUSD200**
  - FY24: \$175.20
  - Proposed FY25: \$199.73 (14% increase)
  - Proposed FY26: \$209.22 (4.75% increase)
  - Proposed FY27: \$217.07 (3.75% increase)
- **Glenbard #87**
  - FY 24: \$268.64 – contract with First Student
  - FY25: \$267.88 - (through bid process; new contract with Safeway)
  - FY26: \$275.38 - Safeway
  - FY27: \$283.10 – Safeway
- **Elmhurst 205**
  - FY24: \$379.88 – contract with First Student
  - FY25: \$417.48 (9.9% increase)
- **Indian Prairie 204**
  - FY24: \$365.00 – contract with First Student
  - FY25: \$401.50 - (10% increase)
- **Naperville 203 & St. Charles 303**
  - Operates “in-house”, so no rates for comparison purposes

# Fuel Purchasing Program: Illinois Central Carol Stream Location

## ● Current Contract

- Fuel surcharge provision
- Illinois Central purchases diesel and regular gasoline from Blu Petroleum
- Illinois Central does not hedge/lock in future purchases

## ● Proposed Contract

- Fuel surcharge provision removed
- CUSD 200 will be purchasing diesel and regular gasoline directly from Blu Petroleum for CUSD 200 and Keeneyville SD 20
- CUSD 200 will hedge/lock-in future anticipated usage

## ● Intergovernmental Fuel Purchasing Agreement with Keeneyville SD 20

## ● Cost Control/Savings

## **History: Special Ed Out-of-District Transportation**

- 2013: Contracted with Septran for Special Ed for out-of-District transportation.
- Spring 2013: Went out to bid for all transportation services for the 2013-2014 school year. Septran was awarded a 3-year contract.
- Spring 2016: Went out to bid. Septran was awarded a 3-year contract again; rates increased approximately 26%.
- Spring 2019: Went out to bid. New 3-year contract was awarded to Sunrise; rates decreased approximately 3.5%.
- Spring 2022: Negotiated a 2-year extension with Sunrise for a 13% increase for FY23 and a 8% increase for FY24 (average of 10.5% increase over two years)

# Rate History: Special Ed Out-of-District Transportation

<b><u>RATE HISTORY</u></b>			
<b><u>SPEC ED OUT OF DISTRICT</u></b>			
<b><u>Fiscal Year</u></b>	<b><u>Price per vehicle per day</u></b>	<b><u>Contractor</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
FY14	\$180 - \$200	Septran	
FY15	\$185 - \$205	Septran	
FY16	\$190 - \$210	Septran	
FY17	\$240 - \$270	Septran	
FY18	\$250 - \$275	Septran	
FY19	\$260 - \$280	Septran	
FY20	\$250 - \$325	Sunrise	
FY21	\$270 - \$320	Sunrise	
FY22	\$290 - \$340	Sunrise	
FY23	\$325 - \$385	Sunrise	13%
FY24	\$350 - \$415	Sunrise	8%
PROPOSED FY25			8%
PROPOSED FY26			6%
PROPOSED FY27			5%



# Current Situation: Special Ed Out-of-District Transportation

## Sunrise Transportation, LLC

- Sunrise has proposed increases of:
  - 8% for FY25;
  - 6% for FY26; and
  - 5% for FY27
- 3-year average for the above is **6.33%**

# History: Citizens Taxi

- Citizens Taxi
  - We have used Citizens Taxi for several years.
  - Citizens Taxi provides transportation services, including transportation for McKinney-Vento students; Special Education outplaced students; high school students who require mid-day routes; and Transition students.
  - Prior to 2017, we did not have any contractual agreement for cab services.
  - In June of 2017, the District went out to bid for cab services for the 2017-18 school year, resulting in a contract award to Citizens Taxi.
  - The Board has extended this contract each time it has been set to expire.
  - Citizens has been a valuable partner; not many transportation company options are available.

# Rate History: Citizens Taxi

## Cost per mile rate history:

- FY18: \$2.70 per mile, \$2.00 load fee
- FY21 & FY22: \$2.90 per mile, \$2.00 load fee
- FY23: \$3.10 per mile, \$5.00 load fee
- FY24: \$3.20 per mile, \$5.00 load fee

## Proposed increases:

- FY25: \$3.80 per mile; \$10.00 load fee
- FY26: \$3.90 per mile; \$12.00 load fee

## Current Situation: Citizens Taxi

Citizens Taxi has proposed:

- FY25: \$0.60 per mile increase, and a \$5.00 increase in the load fee
- FY26: \$0.10 per mile increase, and a \$2.00 increase in the load fee

# Recommendations

**A 3-year contract extension with Illinois Central and Sunrise LLC would lock in the increases and help with budgeting**

- **Illinois Central % increases**

- 3-year extension: 14% for FY25; 4.75% for FY26; 3.75% for FY27. Average is 7.5%

- **Sunrise % increases**

- 3-year extension: 8% for FY25; 6% for FY26; 5% for FY27. Average is 6.33%

**Additional recommendations/considerations:**

- 2-year extension with Citizens Taxi
- District rates would remain below those of comparable districts
- The fuel surcharge provision will be abolished, bringing fuel purchasing in-house for cost savings and control

Questions?