



# Rooted School Las Vegas

## Board Meeting

Published on May 23, 2024 at 11:24 AM PDT  
Amended on May 28, 2024 at 10:08 AM PDT

### Date and Time

Tuesday May 28, 2024 at 4:00 PM PDT

### Location

Virtual

### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>4:00 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> Call the Meeting to Order	Vote	John Etzell	1 m
<b>B.</b> Record Attendance	Vote	John Etzell	1 m

**Board Members:**

- John Etzell, Board Chair
- Adrina Ramos-King –
- Merrick Murray –
- Greer Perkins –
- Anthony Ruiz –
- Sanje Sedera -
- JimDreWestbrook -

Staff:

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Shivaun McCloud, Executive Director			
Guests:			
Jonathan Johnson, Rooted School Foundation			
Kristin Dietz, EdTec			
Laura Fieman, CSDC			
<b>C.</b>	Approval of the Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes	Approve Minutes	John Etzell 1 m
Board Chair or designee provides context before a motion to vote on the agenda and minutes from the April 30, 2024 meeting.			
Proposed Motion: Approve this meeting's agenda and minutes from the April 30, 2024 meeting.			
Approve minutes for Board Meeting on April 30, 2024			
<b>D.</b>	Public Comment	Discuss	John Etzell 5 m
Board Secretary Must Read Before Public Comment			
Our Public Comment period is for members of the public to address the Board. Each member of the public may sign up to comment at the meeting and will be allotted three minutes. The board will listen, but may not directly respond to any comments. Please do not use specific student, teacher or administrator names in your comments as our meetings are open to the public and public record, and we must adhere to FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. As such, if your comment is about a private matter, please contact the Board via email, or speak to the Board Chair privately.			
<b>II.</b>	<b>Mission and Vision</b>		<b>4:08 PM</b>
<b>A.</b>	Rooted School Las Vegas Mission and Vision:	FYI	John Etzell 5 m
<b>Mission:</b> We exist to directly support our students in discovering their own personal pathways to financial freedom.			
<b>Vision:</b> We work collectively with the other Rooted School campuses to ensure our students are on a radically accelerated track to increase their upward mobility upon graduation.			

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>III. Finance Update</b>			<b>4:13 PM</b>
EdTech engages the Board in a discussion of Rooted School Las Vegas' financial position.			
<b>A.</b>	RSLV Financial Report – May 2024	Discuss	Kristin Dietz
			10 m
<b>IV. Facility Update</b>			<b>4:23 PM</b>
CSDC engages the Board in a discussion of Rooted School Las Vegas' facility.			
<b>A.</b>	RSLV Facility Report – May 2024	Discuss	Laura Fiemann
			30 m
<b>V. Transportation Plan</b>			<b>4:53 PM</b>
<b>A.</b>	Transportation Plan (Funding Application)	Vote	Shivaun McCloud
			5 m
	Motion: Approve RSLV's Transportation Plan for submission to the Nevada State Public Charter School Association.		
<b>VI. Executive Director Update</b>			
Rooted School Las Vegas' Executive Director engages the Board in a discussion of Rooted School Las Vegas' progress towards launch.			
- Update on Enrollment			
<b>VII. Public Comment</b>			
Board Secretary Must Read Before Public Comment			

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**VIII. Closing Items**

<p><b>A.</b> Adjourn Meeting</p> <p>Board Chair and/or designee adjourns Board Meeting.</p>	<p>Vote</p>	<p>John Etzell</p>
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# Coversheet

## Approval of the Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes

**Section:** I. Opening Items  
**Item:** C. Approval of the Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for Board Meeting on April 30, 2024

APPROVED



## Rooted School Las Vegas

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday April 30, 2024 at 4:00 PM

#### Location

Virtual

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#### Directors Present

A. J. Ruiz (remote), G. Perkins (remote), J. Etzell (remote), J. Westbrook (remote), M. Murray (remote), S. Sedera (remote)

#### Directors Absent

A. Ramos-King

#### Guests Present

J. Johnson (remote), Kristin Dietz (remote), Mark Gardberg (remote), S. McCloud (remote)

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#### I. Opening Items

##### A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Etzell called a meeting of the board of directors of Rooted School Las Vegas to order on Tuesday Apr 30, 2024 at 4:04 PM.

##### B. Record Attendance

##### C. Approval of the Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes

J. Etzell made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 03-26-24.

G. Perkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**D. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**II. Mission and Vision**

**A. Rooted School Las Vegas Mission and Vision:**

RSLV Board recites mission and vision statement.

**III. Finance Update**

**A. RSLV Financial Report – March 2024**

Kristin Dietz provided an update on RSLV's financial position.

**IV. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Etzell

# Coversheet

## Transportation Plan (Funding Application)

**Section:** V. Transportation Plan  
**Item:** A. Transportation Plan (Funding Application)  
**Purpose:** Vote  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Please\_Sign\_2024-2025\_Transportation\_Letter\_o.pdf  
RSLV Transportation Grant.pdf





May 20, 2024

*Delivered electronically on May 20, 2024*

Rooted School Las Vegas  
Attn: Shivaun McCloud Executive Director

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Do & Be Arts Academy of Excellence  
Shambrion Treadwell

RE: Letter of Intent for 2023-2024 Transportation Services

Dear Ms. McCloud & Ms. Treadwell:

THIS LETTER OF INTENT (“LOI”) sets forth the terms and conditions of a potential offer by and between 1.) Rooted School Las Vegas and 2.) Do & Be Arts Academy (“Buyers”), a Nevada nonprofit corporations and public charter schools with a shared campus located at 2401 E Tonopah Ave, North Las Vegas, NV 89030, and Bright Yellow Lines (“Seller”), a Nevada Limited Liability Company (LLC) with its business office at 1452 W. Horizon Ridge Parkway #292, NV 89012. Buyer and Seller may be referred to as “Party” or collectively as “Parties” in this Note.

1. The Buyers have expressed interest in purchasing one year of transportation services to run up to 180 school days, from the Seller (“Prospective Transaction”). The payment, from Buyers to Seller, for this Prospective Transaction is \$75,000 per bus route. The Buyers may also purchase a \$30,000 per year safety monitor to ride the bus with the driver at all times.
2. Prior to closing, the Seller is liable to pay and discharge all known and unknown liabilities and obligation relating to the Prospective Transaction. The Seller has the following liabilities or obligations: none.
3. Both Parties agrees to allow the Buyer to conduct its due diligence by inspecting the seller’s balance sheet, financial forecasts, and financial statements. Before a final agreement can be reached, the Buyer must be satisfied with the due diligence review and information and documents provided by the Seller. Both Parties agrees to bear their own expenses, including but not limited to attorney’s fees and other costs of due diligence associated with this Prospective Transaction.
4. The Parties agrees to exclusivity for a period of 90 days from the date agreed to by both Parties. Both Parties have 30 days to close beginning from the date mutually agreed to by

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48 Vallejo Verde Street, Henderson, NV 89012  
702-301-8118

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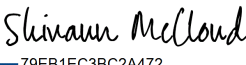


both Parties. The LOI automatically terminates if closing does not occur or the closing date has not been extended by both Parties.

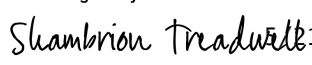
5. This LOI is non-binding to both Parties.
6. Because the Buyer is a public entity, this document shall be public record and there is no expectation of confidentiality regarding this agreement.
7. The signatories of this LOI below affirms that they are the duly authorized representatives of their respective Party and have authority to enter into this LOI.
8. This LOI embodies the understanding of the Parties regarding the subject matter hereof. No amendment or supplement to the LOI shall be binding or effective unless it is in writing and signed by both Parties. Neither Party shall assign in whole or in part its rights or obligations under this LOI without the written consent of the other Party. The validity and interpretation of this LOI shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Nevada. In the event of any dispute arising out of or relating to this LOI, the Parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of Clark County, Nevada for the purposes of resolving said dispute. The prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees and costs. If it is found by a court of competent jurisdiction that any term or provision is invalid or unenforceable, the remaining terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

Rooted School Las Vegas  
(Buyer)

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 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: Shivaun McCloud  
 Title: Executive Director

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(Buyer)

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 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: Shambrion Treadwell  
 Title: Executive Director

Bright Yellow Lines, LLC  
(Seller)

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 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: David Blodgett  
 Title: President

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**Rooted School Clark County**  
**SY 2024 - 2025 Transportation Plan and Funding Application**  
Application Cover Sheet

## 2.1. General Information

**Charter School / Holder:** Rooted School Las Vegas

**Campus Name:** Rooted School Clark County, d.b.a Rooted School Las Vegas

**Sponsor Name:** Nevada State Public Charter School Association

**School Year:** 2024 - 2025

**Title Status:** X School will be identified as Title I for the 2024 - 2025 SY

**Street Address:** 2401 E Tonopah Drive

**City:** Las Vegas      **State:** Nevada      **Zip:** 89030

**Primary Contact Name:** Shivaun McCloud

**Phone Number:** 702 - 203 - 0811      **Email:** [shivaun@rootedschool.org](mailto:shivaun@rootedschool.org)

## 2.2 Application Submission

**Date of Charter School's Board's Approval of Transportation Plan:**

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As Attachment 1, provide the copy of the board meeting minutes, draft or final, for the meeting in which the governing body authorized the submission of the transportation plan and funding request. Note that sample board motions for the approval and submission of the transportation plan can be found in Appendix B.

## 2.3 Executive Summary

**Total Amount of Funding Requested: \$105,000**

**Briefly describe the transportation plan and how you plan to use requested funding, if approved. (300 words or less)**

Rooted School Las Vegas will provide safe, reliable, and efficient transportation for students enrolled at the school in SY 24-25. Rooted understands, and shares the belief, that consistent transportation is critical to ensuring students are successful at school. Our current proposal employs [Bright Yellow Lines](#) as our transportation provider; Rooted School will run one bus route, serving approximately 60 students.

Bright Yellow Lines will work with Rooted School to identify 4-5 bus stop locations around Las Vegas where students will be picked up from. This “bus stop hub” model will limit the amount of time that students will need to spend on the bus, and will ensure that Rooted is able to share buses with DBAE, the school co-locating with Rooted. Bus stop hubs will be within a two-mile radius of where students live.

Students who live within a two-mile radius of the school will be expected to find their own transportation, in alignment with Clark County School District's policies<sup>1</sup>. In the event there is additional capacity on the bus, students within the two-mile radius of school may be able to receive transportation services.

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## 2.4 Acknowledgement

The School acknowledges the following:

- Charter schools that are awarded funding for daily transportation to and from school may not charge any fees for daily transportation to and from school.
- Charter schools providing transportation are responsible for complying with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to the transportation of students.
- A school that receives an award will be reimbursed for expenditures made, upon submission of proof of payment of those expenditures. A school that receives an award may request a waiver to the reimbursement requirement. Waiver requests must be made in writing, thoroughly articulated, and aligned to the transportation plan.
- Before implementing an approved transportation plan a charter school must provide the following, as they pertain to the components of the transportation plan:
  - Provide evidence of proper insurance coverage pursuant to NRS 386.795;
  - Provide evidence that any school buses have been inspected by the Department of Public Safety to ensure that the vehicle is mechanically safe and meets the minimum specifications established by the State Board of Education;
  - Provide written attestation that any vans or other vehicles that are designed for up to 10 passengers are in good repair pursuant to NRS 386.830; and
  - Complete the driver certification form demonstrating that bus, van, or other vehicle driver(s) have met all training, testing, and fingerprinting requirements.
- Charter schools providing transportation are required to submit certain reports to the Nevada Department of Education, including but not limited to the Annual Transportation Report and the Stop Arm Violation Report.

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Primary Contact Name

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Date

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Signature

### 3 Transportation Plan

#### 3.1 Demonstration of Need

- 1) **Describe the current transportation options available to students and identify the gaps and limitations. Include data on the number of students who need transportation and their geographic distribution.**

Rooted School Las Vegas (Rooted School) will serve approximately 100 students in grades 9 and 10 during the 2024-2025 school year. Rooted School will primarily serve students in the North Las Vegas region, specifically targeting the Zip Codes 89101, 89030, 89156, 89110, and 89115. Rooted School will provide free yellow-bus transportation, with a dedicated route, to and from school for students living outside a two-mile radius of the school. Rooted School will also honor all transportation needs reflected in IEPs and 504 plans. This transportation plan and service will directly address some of the gaps and limitations in presently available transportation options, and will also ensure equitable access to education for all students, fostering a school culture and community that is invested in the success of all students.

#### Current transportation options for students in the targeted Zip codes include:

1. Public transportation: Public buses are available to students, though are not ideal methods of transportation given safety concerns, travel times and route convenience. The closest public bus stop (which does serve all public bus routes) is 0.2 miles away from the school.
2. Personal transportation: We know that while many of our families might have their own means of transportation, requiring parents to drive students to school may not be realistic based on work schedules and financial constraints.
3. Carpooling: We will encourage families to carpool to school when possible. Carpooling will not address the needs of all students.
4. Other options: Families may choose other methods of transportation, including walking, taking ride-share transportation (ie: Uber, Lyft), or biking. These methods all carry increased safety and reliability concerns.

#### Gaps and limitations of available transportation options:

1. Safety, Convenience and Reliability: public transportation, personal transportation, carpooling, as well as walking and biking, do not offer the safest, most direct nor reliable transportation for students to get to school.
2. Accessibility: The available options do not cater to all students, especially those who may have specific needs identified in their IEPs.
3. Financial Considerations: The cost of public transportation, as well as the cost of maintaining a private vehicle, may be prohibitive for some families.

Geographic Distribution:

Rooted School Las Vegas is currently recruiting and enrolling students for its first year. Rooted School will enroll approximately 100 9th and 10th grade students for the 2024-2025 school year. A significant number of students who have enrolled have identified the need for school-provided transportation. Final transportation plans will be developed by Rooted School's Director of Operations and Bright Yellow Lines Bus Company in late July / early August, once a majority of the Founding student population has enrolled.

**2) Describe how the school's Transportation Plan, if approved and funded, is likely to improve access to education in the region served by the transportation plan.**

Rooted School's proposed transportation plan will increase educational access in North Las Vegas. This community has historically had minimal access to high quality high school education options. Rooted School seeks to offer a new school option to families, and implementing a consistent, safe and free transportation option will be critical to ensuring that student and family needs are met.

A reliable transportation plan will ensure strong student outcomes in the following ways:

1. Access to Education. This transportation plan, upon approval and funding, will ensure that regardless of geographical location or socioeconomic status, students can attend school regularly. Attendance is one of the leading indicators of academic success, and consistent and reliable transportation will increase attendance.
2. Reduced Absenteeism and Tardiness. Chronic absenteeism, truancy and tardiness are challenges that all schools face (even more so following the Covid-19 pandemic). Reliable transportation reduces instances of absenteeism, tardiness and truancy.
3. Enhanced Safety. A school-specific bus, with a consistent route, ensures that students are showing up to school ready to learn. School-specific bus routes minimize the risk of incidents while traveling to and from school. When students arrive at school in a calm, safe and reliable manner, they are better poised to engage in learning activities.



4. Support for Working Families. Free transportation ensures that all students, regardless of their parents work schedule, can enroll in Rooted School. As an organization, Rooted School welcomes all students who want to attend; a robust transportation plan is critical to making this option equitable and available to all.
5. Promotion of Diversity and Inclusion. Free and reliable transportations removes barriers for attending and as a result, a more diverse student body can attend Rooted School. Free and reliable transportation also means that the school can expand the geographic region in which prospective students and families reside, which means that kids get to know students who they didn't grow up with. This all increases diversity and inclusion within the student body.
6. Equal Opportunities for Students with Exceptionalities and Special Needs. Rooted School Las Vegas will work in collaboration with Bright Yellow Lines to develop the bus route. Students who have transportation-specific needs in their IEPs will be accommodated, ensuring equal access to education opportunities for students with exceptionalities and special needs.
7. Improved Academic Performance. Consistent, safe and free transportation results in increased student attendance, a more positive relationship with school, which leads to improved academic performance.
8. Overall Satisfaction with the School. A free, reliable and safe transportation program will positively impact family and student's overall experience and satisfaction with the school. A positive school experience means that students and families will return year over year, ensuring that Rooted will remain open and available to students looking for alternative options for high school in North East Las Vegas.

### **3.2 Program Design**

*For those charter schools sponsored by the SPCSA that do not already have approval to transport students to and from school, the Program Design section will constitute an amendment request pursuant to NAC 388A.330(4).*

- 1) **Describe the transportation program. Include the following:**
  - a) **How do you plan to provide transportation to students?**

Rooted School Las Vegas will contract with Bright Yellow Lines to run one bus route during the 2024-2025 school year; this route will be able to serve 60 students, which is

approximately 60% of the student body. Rooted School's Director of Operations and Bright Yellow Lines will develop the bus route together. We will use a "community stop" model, in which the bus will stop at 4-5 locations around North East Las Vegas. Students will go to the community stop that is closest to their residence. This model will minimize the length of the route, and therefore minimize the amount of time that students must spend on the bus.

Bright Yellow Lines was selected due to their success in contracting with other charter schools in the area, their cost for services, and their adherence to Nevada and Clark County statutes and regulations. Rooted School Las Vegas plans to share the busing contract with DBAE, another new charter school that will be co-locating in Rooted's building in the 2024-2025 school year. The two schools will work together to develop busing routes and times.

**b) How many students will be served by the proposed transportation plan?**

The proposed transportation will serve 60 students; this is the maximum capacity for high school students on the school bus. 60 students is approximately 60% of the student population. As the school grows and serves both more students and more grades, more bus routes will be added.

**c) What grade levels will be served by the proposed transportation plan?**

The proposed transportation plan will serve students in grades 9 and 10, as those will be the only two grades served by Rooted School in SY 24-25.

**d) What geographic area(s) will be served by the proposed transportation plan?**

Rooted School Las Vegas will primarily serve students in North Las Vegas. The target Zip Codes for both the school and the transportation plan are: 89101, 89030, 89156, 89110, and 89115. This transportation plan will leverage "community stops". These stops will be safe places for parents to drop off and pick up their students. They will be covered, well lit, and have both areas of shade and coverage for when it rains. There will be at least one stop in each of the Zip Codes above.

**e) Describe all policies pertaining to the transportation program such as student eligibility, how students will be prioritized if the transportation program is oversubscribed, etc.**

Any student who is both fully enrolled, and who lives beyond two-mile radius of the school, will be eligible to ride the school provided by Rooted School Las Vegas. Students who require transportation in their IEP will also be eligible, and provided with a transportation service that is in alignment with their IEP.

In the event there is more demand than seats available, priority will be given to students in target zip codes (89101, 89030, 89156, 89110, and 89115), and students with communication needs. In the event there are additional seats available, they will be offered to students within the 2 mile radius. Rooted School is committed to working with families to help them identify the transportation plan that works best for them and their students.

**f) Describe the implementation timeline for the transportation program.**

The timeline below outlines the critical dates for approval and implementation of the proposed transportation plan. This timeline is subject to change.

Board Approval: May 28, 2024

Plan Submission to SPCSA: May 31, 2024

SPCSA Board Meeting (approval of plan): June 21, 2024

Finalize Contract with Bright Yellow Lines: July 12, 2024

Finalize Bus Routes / Identification of Community Hub Stops: July 19, 2024

Share Transportation with Families and Students: July 26, 2024

First Day of School: August 8, 2024

**2) List and thoroughly describe any partnerships or contracts under which the school may provide the transportation services. Attachment 2 provides a copy of the contract (or draft contract).**

*Schools proposing to provide bus or van/vehicle transportation must answer questions 3-8. This section is not required if the school's plan only contemplates the use of public transportation.*

Rooted School Las Vegas plans to contract with Bright Yellow Lines to provide school bus transportation to students for the 2024-2025 school year. A Letter of Intent between

Rooted School and Bright Yellow Lines is attached. This contract will be shared with DBAE, whose name is also on the Letter of Intent.

- 3) Describe the scope and scale of the transportation that will be offered:**
- a) Provide the number of vehicles, make and model of each vehicle, and capacity of each vehicle:**

Rooted School Las Vegas's contract with Bright Yellow Lines includes one full sized Type C school bus. This bus will run one, approximately 45 minute route to school and from school each day.

- b) Provide the number of daily routes operated; and**

The proposed transportation plan includes one (1) route.

- c) Provide the average number of students per route (to calculate the average number of students per route, take the total students transported, including pre-K and special education, and divide by the number of routes).**

The school bus has a capacity of 60 high school students (2 per seat); as we will run one route, this transportation plan will serve 60 students. Students who have specific transportation needs identified in their IEPs will be accommodated. These accommodations, as well as the specifics of the bus routes, will be determined as enrollment is finalized.

- 4) Describe the proposed transportation routes and schedules, including a description of the pick-up/drop-off location(s) and how they comply with NRS 386.840. If possible, provide a tentative map of the transportation routes.**

The final bus route will be determined once Rooted enrollment is complete. The plan is to have at least one community stop within each of the target Zip Codes (89101, 89030, 89156, 89110, and 89115). The bus route will be created in collaboration with Bright Yellow Lines.

- 5) Explain how the school will ensure compliance with [Nevada's School Bus Standards](#), and Nevada Revised Statutes and Regulations, particularly NRS 386.790 and NAC 386.500 through NAC 386.555.**

Rooted School Las Vegas will be employing Bright Yellow Lines to manage transportation. Bright Yellow Lines will be contractually required to meet all Nevada’s School Bus Standards and all relevant regulations mentioned here, and Bright Yellow Lines will be to provide additional annual checks and basic oversight of the vendor to verify they meet all these and other requirements.

Rooted School Las Vegas will develop transportation guidelines that are in alignment with [NRS 386.790](#). Of note, Rooted School Las Vegas will ensure that all bus drivers are trained on the school’s graduated discipline policy and restorative practice policies. All bus drivers will adhere to the training and records statutes and regulations identified in [NAC 386.500 - NAC 386.555](#). Rooted School’s Director of Operations and Executive Director, and Bright Yellow Lines, will be responsible for ensuring that all transportation and bus operations are in compliance.

- 6) Describe how the school will comply with requirements and protocols for driver training and safety. For school bus transportation, confirm that the driver(s) of the school bus will meet the minimum qualifications as described in NRS 386.825 and describe how the school will maintain all required employer documentation per Nevada Department of Education regulatory guidance for school bus operations.**

Rooted School Las Vegas will contract with Bright Yellow Lines for bus transportation services. Bright Yellow Lines will be contractually required to meet all Nevada School Bus Standards and relevant statutes, regulations and policies as it relates to driver(s), driver training, vehicles and vehicle maintenance. Rooted School Las Vegas Director of Operations will be the primary internal team member responsible for the oversight of Bright Yellow Lines.

- 7) Describe how the school and/or transportation vendor will ensure student safety, including complying with NRS 386.820, as applicable. Include:**
  - a) The proposed schedule for practicing student evacuation**
  - b) A description of the bus/vehicle safety program**

Rooted School Las Vegas will contract with Bright Yellow Lines for bus transportation services. Bright Yellow Lines will be contractually required to meet all Nevada School Bus Standards and relevant statutes, regulations and policies as it relates to safety, developing a safety program and scheduling practice student evacuations. Rooted School Las Vegas’s Director of Operations will work with Bright Yellow Lines to ensure that there is a schedule for when students practice school bus evacuation.

- 8) *Optional:*** For schools that intend to transport students to and from activities and programs, describe how the school and/or transportation vendor will comply with NRS 386.815 regarding operating a school bus for extended periods of time, if applicable. *Note that transportation funding cannot be used to cover the expenses associated with field trips and extracurricular activities, unless the school is also providing transportation to and from school. However, SPCSA-sponsored schools should complete this question if they are seeking a transportation amendment and intend to transport students to and from activities and programs.*

Not Applicable at this time.

### **3.3 School Information**

- 1) Explain why academic, financial and organizational performance of the charter school indicates the transportation plan is in the interest of the students who will be served by the transportation plan.**

A strong transportation plan is a critical deliverable for the school’s founding year. A robust transportation plan greatly impacts the academic, financial and organizational performance and success of Rooted School Las Vegas, and is in the interest of students, families, and communities that the school serves. It is one of the many ways Rooted School lives into its mission, vision and values as an organization.

Academic Performance: Rooted School offers students a rigorous curriculum that prepares students for success in both college and career. In order to be successful in this model, students must attend school regularly. They also need to arrive at school in a way that is safe, consistent, comfortable, and that sets them up for success. A robust transportation plan, that includes an internal bus route, will support students in having consistent attendance

Financial Stability: Investing in transportation is a responsible use of resources; transportation provides access to education, ensures that they are attending daily, which impacts the long term financial health of the school. The impacts of navigating truancy, and low enrollment numbers will cause undue financial strain on the school and the schools financial model

Organizational Performance: Rooted’s overall performance will benefit from a strong transportation plan. Students in school more = better academic outcomes, safe, consistent transportation = greater satisfaction amongst students and families

- 2) **For charter schools not sponsored by the SPCSA, provide a summary of any findings under the Authorizer's Performance Framework (NRS 388A.273) for the preceding three years and the actions taken by the school to address the findings. Include as Attachment 3 copies of the Authorizer's Performance Framework reports for the preceding three years.**

Not Applicable

- 3) **For schools not sponsored by the SPCSA, provide as Attachment 4 the current charter contract, including evidence that the school has been approved to provide transportation. If the school has not been approved to provide transportation, describe the school's plans to receive approval pursuant to NAC 388A.330(4).**

Not applicable.

#### **4 BUDGET**

*Pursuant to Assembly Bill 400, Section 28.5(3)(e), schools may be funded up to the average per pupil cost for transportation in the school district in which the charter school is located.*

- 1) **What is the total number of students enrolled at the charter school campus based on the most recent Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) from the 2023-24 school year? *New schools and those schools that were approved for an Exceptional Enrollment Growth Adjustment (EEGA) should report the audited enrollment number. For schools opening in Fall of 2024, it is recommended that the school play to apply for approximately 50% off the approved enrollment cap. If a new school is approved for and receives funding at 50% of the enrollment cap but the pre-opening enrollment audit does not reflect the school will achieve that enrollment amount, the SPCSA may true-up the awarded funding and recoup the disbursed funds.***

Rooted School Las Vegas plans to enroll 100 9th and 10th grade students for the 2024 - 2025 school year. 50% of this enrollment cap would be 50 students. At a proposed \$481 in per pupil transportation funding, as well as guidance that the SPCSA has provided, Rooted School Las Vegas is requesting \$25,000 in transportation grant funding.

- 2) **As Attachment 5, provide a copy of the most recent ADE report. *New schools and schools that were approved for an Exceptional Enrollment***

***Growth Adjustment (EEGA) should provide a copy of the signed funding request.***

**3) Which county is the charter school campus located in? \_\_\_\_\_**

Rooted School Las Vegas is located in Clark County.

**4) Use the Transportation Budget Workbook to show how the transportation funds requested will be used to support the school's proposed Transportation Plan. For each item in the budget include Object Code; Function Code; Quantity; Salary, Rental or Unit Cost; and Narrative. The Narrative should include details on the purpose, justification for the cost, and the cost calculation. Submit the Transportation Budget Workbook as Attachment 6.**

See attached budget and budget narrative.

**5) If necessary, provide any additional narrative in support of the budget details.**

See attached budget and budget narrative.

**Attachments:**

1. Required: Board Meeting Minutes in which governing body approved transportation plan and funding request
2. Bright Yellow Lines Letter of Intent
3. Charter Contract