



# AIMS K-12 College Prep Charter District Board Submission Cover Letter

## Submitter Information

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## Item Details

Title of Item: Adoption of Board Policy 3541.2: Transportation as a Related Service  
Is this item a:  New Submission  
 Renewal  
If Renewal: Please summarize any changes from the previous submission:  
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## Approvals

Has this item been reviewed by:  
 Superintendent  
 Chief Business Officer (CBO) (If budget changes)  
 Director of Compliance (If plan changes)  
 Neither

## Committee Review

Has this item been through the appropriate committee review process?  
 Yes  No  
If yes: Please specify which committee(s) and provide minutes or approval documentation:  
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If no: Explain why:  
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## Deadline Information

Is there a submission deadline for this item?  
 Yes  No  
If yes: Please indicate the deadline date (MM/DD/YYYY): 02/27/2024

## Financial Information (if applicable):

Total Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Is this expenditure included in the annual budget?  
 Yes  No  
Please specify in which plan this expense is indicated:  
 SPSA  LCAP  Other: \_\_\_\_\_



## **AIMS Board Meeting Item**

February 27, 2024

### **Item: Adoption of Board Policy 3541.2**

**Submitted by:** Deborah Woods, Director of Special Education

**Purpose:** For board consideration

**Staff Recommendation:** Adoption of Policy 3541.2- Transportation as a Related Service for Students with Disabilities

**Background:** Presently, there is no language addressing transportation of students with disabilities.

**Current Language:**

Board Policy 3541.2 is being introduced.

**Proposed Language:**

“ According to state and federal laws, charter schools are not mandated to provide transportation to general education students. In individualized circumstances, an individualized education program (IEP) team may determine a student with a disability requires transportation as a related service on their IEP to benefit from special education.

The Superintendent or designee(s) shall establish criteria and procedures for determining the most appropriate mode of transportation for an individual student with disabilities based on his/her identified needs and the IEP team’s determination if the student is eligible to receive transportation as a special education related service. This shall include, but not be limited to: (1) the severity of the student’s disability, (2) consideration of the effect that the location of placement will have on the length of time that a student has to and from school each day, and (3) access to offer of a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) and special education related

services. In addition the placement and transportation criteria shall be reviewed at least annually to determine suitability.

The Superintendent or designee(s) shall ensure that appropriate transportation services are provided for students with disabilities as specified in their IEP or 504 accommodations plan.

Considering the IEP team's identified specialized transportation needs of a pupil, transportation options may include, but are not limited to: walking, utilizing public transportation, reimburse a parent/guardian driving with the individual's voluntary participation, or other mode as determined in the IEP or 504 accommodations plan.

The Superintendent or designee(s) shall ensure that students who are eligible for transportation services in the IEP or 504 accommodations plan are transported by an individual who has a valid California driver's license, minimum (\$ amount to be determined) liability insurance, and has completed the LEA's specialized transportation agreement.

The Superintendent or designee(s) shall ensure that in circumstances where the IEP or 504 accommodations plan determines reimbursement will be provided to a parent/guardian the parent/guardian is reimbursed at the California government reimbursement rate for short-term travel-personal vehicle mileage.

The Superintendent or designee(s) shall ensure that students who are eligible for transportation services in the IEP or 504 accommodations plan and suspended from transportation, receive an alternative form of transportation at no cost to the pupil or parent/guardian.

## **Legal References**

California Education Code Section 56040

California Education Code Section 41850-41851

California Education Code Section 48915”

## **Adopted**

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