

(ATTACHMENT 1) ACTION ON A RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE 2017-2018 INTER-DISTRICT TRANSFER AGREEMENTS

This item initiated by the Administration.

ADMINISTRATION'S ANALYSIS

1. Section 121.85(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes allows the Board to enter into annual written Inter-district transfer agreements with school districts for the purpose of reducing racial imbalance.
2. In April 2017, the Administration mailed to each suburban district the appropriate version (I or II) of the 2017-2018 Inter-district Transfer Agreement with a request that the agreement be signed by the respective board president and returned to the Milwaukee Public Schools. (Version I agreement -Milwaukee Public Schools will be responsible for the transportation of inter-district transfer students. Version II agreement - Milwaukee Public Schools will provide the District with the funds for transportation services).
3. As of July 2017, the 21 participating suburban districts have returned the 2017-2018 Inter-district Transfer Agreement signed by their board presidents.
4. The chart below highlights the number of contracted seats for the 2017-2018 school year, 2016-2017, 2015-2016 school year for all 21 suburban school districts.

Chapter 220 District	2017-2018 Contracted Seats	2016-2017 Contracted Seats	2015-2016 Contracted Seats
Cudahy	4	9	9
Elmbrook	80	101	138
Fox Point/Bayside	72	86	95
Franklin	27	33	42
Germantown	27	37	46
Greendale	40	46	62
Greenfield	14	19	27
Hamilton/Sussex	65	85	98
Maple Dale/Indian Hill	12	15	17
Menomonee Falls	46	64	77
Mequon/Thiensville	96	100	121
New Berlin	3	6	10
Nicolet	37	34	40
Oak Creek/Franklin	35	54	106
St. Francis	11	20	22
Shorewood	70	78	114
South Milwaukee	5	8	20
Wauwatosa	56	64	81
West Allis/West Milwaukee	9	15	17
Whitefish Bay	151	176	191
Whitnall	28	36	36
TOTAL	888	1,086	1,369

5. The Cudahy, Greenfield, Maple Dale-Indian Hill, Nicolet, Shorewood, Wauwatosa and West Allis/West Milwaukee School Districts achieved 30% or more minority population. Under State Statute 121.85(2) (a) (1), these districts are no longer eligible to accept Milwaukee minority resident students via the Inter-district Transfer Program (Chapter 220), for the 2017-2018 school year. Milwaukee resident students attending these districts have a right to remain in the districts to complete their education at the elementary, middle, or high school, per State Statute 121.85(8)(3)(a).
6. Milwaukee Public Schools is responsible for providing transportation services for all students participating in the Inter-district Transfer Program (Chapter 220). Version I of the Inter-district Transfer Agreement requires Milwaukee Public Schools to contract directly for this provision. Version II of the Inter-district Transfer Agreement requires Milwaukee Public Schools to reimburse districts that contract for their own transportation services. For the 2017-2018 school year eight (8) districts will schedule their own transportation; therefore, these districts - Elmbrook, Fox-Point-Bayside, Germantown, Maple Dale-Indian Hill, Menomonee Falls, Mequon-Thiensville, Nicolet and the Oak Creek-Franklin School District-were sent Version II of the 2017-2018 Inter-district Transfer Agreement.
7. The chart below details the projected contract amount for each of the districts that will be reimbursed for transportation for the 2017-2018 school year. Milwaukee Public Schools initially pays the district a per-pupil amount equivalent to the average per-pupil cost for that district if Milwaukee Public Schools had scheduled the service. In subsequent years, Milwaukee Public Schools pays the average per-pupil cost, plus inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Actual costs are based on third-Friday-in-September enrollments.
8. Annually, the Administration reviews the contracts to ensure that these suburban contracts cost the district less than if Milwaukee Public Schools had scheduled the transportation services.
9. The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into contracts with the following suburban districts to provide transportation services for students participating in the Inter-district Transfer Program (Chapter 220).

Chapter 220 District	2017-2018 Contracted Seats	2017-2018 Per Pupil Cost	2017-2018 Contract Amount
Elmbrook	80	\$3,762.68	\$301,014.40
Fox Point-Bayside	72	\$2,628.98	\$189,286.56
Germantown	27	\$5,192.64	\$140,201.28
Maple Dale-Indian Hill	12	\$2,628.98	\$31,547.76
Menomonee Falls	46	\$3,162.94	\$145,495.24
Mequon-Thiensville	96	\$3,197.46	\$306,956.16
Nicolet	37	\$2,603.21	\$96,318.77
Oak Creek-Franklin	35	\$4,295.65	\$150,347.75
TOTAL	405		\$1,361,167.92

10. April 2008, the United States Department of Education (USED) directed the Department of Public Education (DPI) to develop and implement new

procedures for funding Title I program services provided by districts receiving Milwaukee Public School student transfers under Chapter 220.

11. Beginning in 2008-2009, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) no longer transferred Title I funds from the district's allocation to reimburse suburban districts that serve students who reside in MPS. Instead, DPI directed the district to provide funding directly to receiving districts through individual contracts based on the number of children from low-income families residing in the district's participating public school attendance areas that transfer to Title I schools in a neighboring district.
12. At its meeting on October 22, 2009, the Board approved the Amendment to the Inter-district Transfer Agreement for the 2017-2018 school year related to the provisions of Title I services.

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13. The recommendation regarding Inter-district Transfer Agreement is in compliance with Wisconsin State Statutes 121.85 and directions from the U.S. Department of Education regarding procedures for Title I funding.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

14. The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into contracts with the following suburban districts to provide transportation services for students participating in the Inter-district Transfer Program (Chapter 220). Contracts will be for the 2017-2018 school year. The budget code for reimbursement of the expenditures is SM1-0-0-TRS-DW-EPPT.

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15. This item does not authorize expenditure of funds for other suburban districts.
16. This item authorizes expenditures pursuant to federal law. Districts are reimbursed based on the number of eligible Milwaukee resident students who receive Title I services provided by the host district.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends the Board:

1. approve the 2017-2018 Inter-district Transfer Agreements;
2. authorize the Board President to execute the 2017-2018 Inter-district Transfer Agreements with the following school districts;

Cudahy

Hamilton Sussex

St. Francis

Elmbrook	Maple Dale-Indian Hill	Shorewood
Fox Point-Bayside	Menomonee Falls	South Milwaukee
Franklin	Mequon-Theinsville	Wauwatosa
Germantown	New Berlin	West Allis/West Milwaukee
Greendale	Nicolet	Whitefish Bay
Greenfield	Oak Creek-Franklin	Whitnall

3. authorize the Administration to enter into contracts to provide transportation services with the following school districts for the 2017-2018 school year.

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