

MEMORANDUM

To: School Board

From: Ryan Glaze

Date: April 29, 2026

Subject: Revised Participation Fees to Offset Transportation Costs for Co-Curricular and Extracurricular Activities

In January 2026, the Board approved fixed participation fees to help offset transportation costs associated with co-curricular and extracurricular activities. At that time, a flat fee structure was recommended for participating students and families.

Following further discussion with building-level ECA treasurers, athletic administrators, and activity sponsors, a revised approach is recommended. Rather than a fixed fee, implementing a per “away event” fee is a more equitable method to align costs with actual student participation and transportation usage.

Based on internal analysis, a fee of **\$5.00 per student, per away event** is projected to reduce TCSC transportation expenses by approximately 48%. Additionally, this structure aligns with existing fees charged for curricular field trips, creating consistency and simplifying accounting procedures for ECA treasurers.

Recommendation:

- Implement a \$5.00 fee per student, per off-campus co-curricular and extracurricular event
- Apply the same fee regardless of transportation method (school bus or multipurpose vehicle)
- Collect fees in advance based on scheduled events for the season
- Assign fee collection to athletic and activity sponsors
- Maintain the previously approved implementation date of **July 1, 2026**

Examples:

- Football (4 away games): \$20 per student for the season
- Basketball (10 away games): \$50 per student for the season
- Marching Band (6 away events): \$30 per student for the season
- Winter Guard (8 away events): \$40 per student for the season

This revised structure ensures a fair, transparent, and consistent approach while significantly reducing the corporation's transportation costs.