

## COLORADO

**Department of Education** 

## Office Hours: Transportation CDE-40

School Finance Division – School Auditing Office Date: **09/07/2023** 

### **Detailed** Agenda

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Districts must submit an electronic claim form in order to be considered for transportation funds.

- Link to form can be found here: <u>http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/sftransp</u>
  - Once a submission is complete, the district will receive an email confirmation. Contact Yolanda if you do not receive an email confirmation.
- Deadlines are as follows:
  - <u>September 15<sup>th</sup></u>: Form data must be submitted electronically via the CDE website—No extensions will be granted
    - CDE is not permitted by statute to grant extensions past September 15. If the submission is not complete by that day, the district will not receive reimbursement funding.
  - <u>November 15<sup>th</sup></u>: First fund payments are made on or before this date
    - To meet this deadline CDE will submit payment requests to accounting by November 3rd

|    | September |    |    |    |    | October |    |    |    | November |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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### **High-Level Reviews**

- As online CDE-40 forms and supporting documentation are submitted by districts to CDE, staff from the School Finance and School Auditing Offices conduct high-level reviews to confirm that the uploaded documentation supports the data values reported in the electronic claim form.
- These reviews are conducted prior to first payments being made to districts.
- During the high-level reviews, if errors are found and/or required documentation is missing, CDE staff will contact the district's listed CDE-40 contact (as noted on the online form) for follow-up information.
- Districts should be prepared to provide additional information and documentation, as requested, through October 31.
  - If all identified issues and concerns are addressed on or before October 31 by the district's CDE-40 contact, then no further audit of the information submitted and used to determine the district's reimbursement will be conducted.



Official Mileage Count Date for FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24

### The Official Mileage Count Date for FY 2022-23 was:

### Monday, October 3, 2022

| October |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |
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### The Official Mileage Count Date for FY 2023-24 will be:

### Monday, October 2, 2023

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### **Official Mileage Count Date**

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The official mileage count date does not fall on a scheduled student contact day in which students are transported from home to school, school to school, or school to home (such as 4-day/week districts),

### Then:

The district or school can still include scheduled count date day route mileage for any route that was <u>established</u> as of the official mileage count date.

If a district requests and is granted an alternative pupil enrollment count date (for the funded pupil count), then the Official Mileage count date will be the same day as the new alternative date.





## Resources





### **Transportation Funding Website**

### CDE provided optional sample worksheet currently posted to <u>http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/sftransp</u>

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| Documentation   | Rules and Resources  | Contact Us  |
| General Instructions and Guidelines Fiscal Year 2022-23 (DOC)     Audit Resource Guide (UPDATED 06/30/23) (PDF) with detailed     Instructions, including required supporting audit     documentation descriptions     CDE-40 Example Online Form Fiscal Year 2022-23 (DOC) (do not     submit this form to CDE)  | <ul> <li><u>Rules for the Administration of the Public School</u><br/><u>Transportation Fund</u></li> <li><u>Entitlement and Payment Worksheet Fiscal Year 2022-23 (DOC)</u></li> <li><u>Line 5: Capital Outlay Depreciation Fiscal Year 2022-23 (XLS)</u> (for<br/>districts contracting for transportation)</li> <li><u>Fiscal Year 2022-23 Advance (XLS)</u></li> </ul> | Learn More<br>Financial information on schools and<br>districts throughout Colorado. <u>Learn</u><br>more about financial transparency. |
| <ul> <li>Local Access Manager: Assistance Request Form: The purpose of this form is to request assistance from the Local Access Managers assigned to your organization to create a Log in to complete the submission process.</li> <li>Assistance Session Sign_up: Districts may sign up for a one hour session with the School Auditing Office contact for one on one CDE-40 submission assistance.</li> </ul> | Calculation Worksheets<br>Sample CDE-40 Calculation Worksheet (XLS). (UPDATED<br>06/30/23)<br>Sample Alternative Split Calendar Calculation Worksheet (XLS)  | Financial<br>Transparency   |



### **District Work Paper(s)**



- Districts should use a work paper format that complements their processes and approach for arriving at the numbers reported in the CDE-40 data submission
- If a district chooses to use an optional sample worksheet provided by CDE, the district is responsible for ensuring proper use
- These optional sample worksheets are <u>NOT</u> required
- The optional sample worksheet, and the instructional video series, are made available as tools with the expectation that district staff will understand them thoroughly before submitting data based on the worksheet



### **Transportation CDE-40: Step-By-Step Video Series**

#### The Transportation CDE-40 Step-By-Step Video Series

These short videos are designed to introduce key concepts regarding the CDE-40 data submission, walk transportation staff through the optional sample calculation worksheet created by CDE, and demonstrate submitting the CDE-40 form and accompanying documentation.



#### Introduction to the CDE-40

**Expenses Within Program 2700** 

series of accounts

Overview of key concepts and resources in calculating CDE-40 values

- Summary of the CDE-40 values covered in this video series
- Definition of "Program 2700"/The Program 2700 Series of Accounts

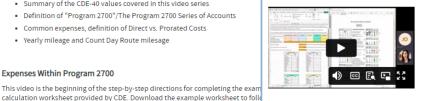
Sample CDE-40 Calculation Worksheet (XLS) After watching this video, you should

Identify common direct, prorated, and non-alllowable expenditures in the

Exclude the non-pupil transportation portion of utilities (or other shared ex

- · Common expenses, definition of Direct vs. Prorated Costs
- Yearly mileage and Count Day Route milesage

from the Program 2700 series of accounts



#### Count Day Mileage (00:08:19)

This video covers the count day scheduled route mileage calculations. After watching this video, you should be able to:

- Identify allowable routes scheduled as of count day
- · Conduct a split calendar calculation when different routes run a different number of transportation days over the course of the year

#### Submitting the Transportation CDE-40 Data and Documents (00:09:50)

This video covers the process for submitting the CDE-40 form and all associated support documentation. After watching this video, you should be able to:

- Copy the required numbers from the completed example worksheet to the online submission form
- · Label and upload the supporting documentation
- · Complete the certification and submission

#### Transportation Supporting Information

- Fiscal Year 2008-09 through Fiscal Year 2021-22 Historical Transportation Data (XLS)
- <u>Transportation Mill Levy Override Revision Pursuant to HB06-1375 (XLS)</u>

#### Payments

#### FY 2021-22 Payments

 Fiscal Year 2021-22 Public School Transportation Reimbursement Payments (Paid in FY 2022-23) Fiscal Year 2021-22 Second Payment (PDF) (Paid in FY) 2022-23)

#### FY 2020-21 Payments

- Fiscal Year 2020-21 Public School Transportation Reimbursement Payments (Paid in FY 2021-22)
  - Fiscal Year 2020-21 Second Payment (PDF) (Paid in FY) 2021-22)

#### FY 2019-20 Payments

 Fiscal Year 2019-20 Public School Transportation Reimbursement Payments (Paid in FY 2020-21) Fiscal Year 2019-20 Second Payments (PDF) (Paid in FY 2020-21)

#### FY 2018-19 Payments

- Fiscal Year 2018-19 Public School Transportation Reimbursement Payments (Paid in FY 2019-20)
  - Fiscal Year 2018-19 Second Payments (PDF) (Paid in FY 2019-20)



#### Yearly Mileage

This video covers the total yearly mileage for all vehicles with expenses tracked in 2700. After watching this video, you should be able to:

Categorize total yearly mileage as route, activity, or administrative

· Exclude non-allowable expenses such as capital expenditures

- · Reclassify maintenance miles based on the primary use of the vehicle
- · Check that the data was entered correctly
- Identify how the yearly mileage affects the reimbursable percentage of exp

#### Expenses Paid Outside of Program 2700 This video covers pupil transportation-related expenses that are paid from distric

- outside of the Program 2700 series. After watching this video, you should be able · Identify the allowable premiums for property and vehicle insurance
  - · Calculate the allowable premium for worker's compensation insurance
  - · Calculate the allowable support costs for non-transportation staff who ass transportation operations



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- The one-hour training covering all things CDE-40 has been posted to the <u>Training and Office Hours</u> webpage.
  - <u>https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/auditunit\_trainings</u>

Transportation CDE-40 FY22/23 August 3, 2023 (10:00 AM)

- <u>Download webinar presentation (PDF)</u>
- <u>View webinar recording on Vimeo (01:02:55)</u>



### **Prior Year's High-Level Results**

- Prior to starting on the current year's submission, your district should check to see if a high-level review was completed for last year's submission and if so, utilize the results as a starting point/resource.
- If you need a copy of last year's high-level results, contact the <u>School Auditing Office</u> at audit@cde.state.co.us.



### **Transportation Audit Resource Guide**

https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/2022 cde40 transport



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### Audit Resource Guide for the Public School Transportation CDE-40 Reimbursement Claim Form

Effective July 1, 2023

Submitted to: Colorado Public School Districts, Charter Schools, Charter School Collaboratives, Charter School Networks, The Charter School Institute (CSI) and Colorado Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)

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|  |  |
| High-Level File and Documentation Reviews: July 1 through October 31   |  |
| Required Data Fields and Supporting Documentation  |  |
| Description of Data Fields<br>Line 1: Total Current Operating Expenditures                                       |  |
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| O1 [Commercial_invoices.pdf]   |  |
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## Table of Data Fields and Associated Documentation (Pg. 5)

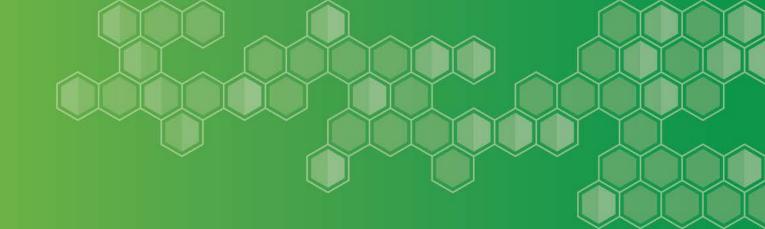
| CDE-40 Data Field   | Required supporting   | Optional ("as-needed")  |
|---|---|---|
|   | documentation   | supporting documentation  |
| Line 1: Total current operating<br>expenditures for pupil<br>transportation   | <ul> <li><u>R1 [District_calculation.xlsx or pdf]</u> Current operating expenditures calculation</li> <li><u>R2 [Summary GL.xlsx]</u> Summary general ledger</li> <li><u>R3 [Detail_GL.xlsx]</u> Detail general ledger</li> <li><u>R4 [Vehicle_Ins.xlsx or pdf]</u> Vehicle insurance premiums</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>O1 [Contract_invoices.pdf]<br/>District-contracted<br/>transportation invoices</li> <li>O1 [Commercial_invoices.pdf]<br/>Commercial transportation<br/>vendor invoices</li> <li>O2 [Parent_invoices.pdf]<br/>Parent contract expenses</li> <li>O3 [Property_Ins.xlsx or pdf]<br/>Physical building/property<br/>insurance premiums</li> <li>O4 [Workercomp.xlsx or pdf]<br/>Workers' Compensation<br/>insurance premiums</li> <li>O5 [Utilities.xlsx or pdf] Utility<br/>invoices</li> <li>O6 [Support.xlsx] Support<br/>Costs</li> <li>O7 [Unemploy.xlsx or pdf]<br/>Unemployment insurance<br/>premiums</li> </ul> |
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| Line 3: Days school was in session  | R6 [Calendar.pdf] Calendar(s)   | n/a   |
| Line 4: Number of days for which<br>room and board were paid for<br>pupils in lieu of transportation                        | n/a   | n/a   |
| Line 5: Capital Outlay (for<br>instances where the district<br>contracts out for pupil<br>transportation                    | n/a   | n/a   |
| Line 6: Number of pupils who<br>were scheduled to be transported<br>to and from public schools on the<br>mileage count date | n/a   | n/a   |
| Line 7: Total actual miles traveled<br>for activity trips, field trips, athletic<br>trips, etc.                             | <u>R7 [Totalmileage.xlsx]</u> Total<br>vehicle mileage  | n/a   |
| Line 8: Total actual miles traveled<br>for any purpose by pupil<br>transportation vehicles                                  | <ul> <li><u>R7 [Totalmileage.xlsx]</u> Total vehicle mileage</li> </ul>   | n/a   |



### **Assistance Session Sign-Up**

- Prior to submitting their CDE-40 claim form, districts (and charter schools) are invited to sign up for a one-hour "one-on-one" session with the School Auditing Office.
  - Purpose: To assist the district in completing their CDE-40 claim form.
  - Each district requesting a session will need to identify what type of assistance they are seeking. Examples include, but are not limited to:
    - Receive an overview of available resources, answering questions unique to the district, completing the claim form together (assuming all documentation has been gathered), having someone review your claim form prior to submitting it, etc.
- To register, complete the following form to select a day and time: <u>https://forms.gle/xSqNKFYHwhhNqd3x8</u>





# **Passwords and Data Validation**





### Passwords

- The CDE-40 form is an electronic submission found at <u>https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/sftransp</u>
- Passwords are required to access the form and submit the data to CDE.
  - CDE does not control passwords.
- CDE does not activate or deactivate staff at districts for any data collection.
  - Districts have individuals called Local Access Managers (LAMs) who assign staff to data collections.
  - For any new person needing to complete the CDE-40 form, a LAM will need to go into Identity Management and assign that staff member as: TRANSPORTATION LEAAPPROVER in the STEQ system



### **Data Validation**

- Before submitting your district's CDE-40 claim form, its recommended that you compare your district's current year Lines 1 through 8 with its prior year's Lines 1 through 8.
- If any data field amount has changed significantly, the district is encouraged to determine what has contributed to the change(s).
  - For instance, if your district's scheduled count day mileage has shifted up or down significantly, you should determine why. Maybe your district had scheduled and documented parent mileage during the current year, but not during the prior year, or your district added two new routes, or is now transporting a student to an out of district school, etc.
  - If the district identifies significant changes, it would be helpful to include a note on the district calculation worksheet providing a brief explanation as to the change.





# Status Update: 22/23 Transportation CDE-40 collection



## Stats (as of 11AM today, 9/7/23)

## 179 Districts/CSI

- <u>3</u> district has opted out
- 40 districts have submitted
  - <u>17</u> submission reviews completed
  - <u>14</u> submissions reviews in progress

## 11 districts have signed up for 1:1 sessions



### **High-Level Review Observations- Common Errors**

- Entering the general ledger total as Line 1
  - Should be reporting the calculated "total current operating expenditure" amount that takes into account direct, prorated, and non-allowable expenditures.
- Not providing all of the required supporting documentation
  - Support costs
  - Scheduled count day mileage
- Not documenting or taking into consideration canceled school days (when reporting line 3)
- Not conducting a split calendar calculation when appropriate.



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