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Tucson Unified School District provides the safest mode of transportation to and from school for more than 20,000 students. We serve the largest school district in southern Arizona with a fleet of over 300 buses and over 1,250 bus routes including our Express Shuttles.

Student safety is our priority. Our drivers and monitors receive their training through our outstanding, nationally and state recognized program ensuring students are transported by professionals.

Express Shuttles are equipped with WiFi, so students can use their handheld devices to make the most of their commute.

Santa Rita High School is focused on preparing students for college and careers.
- Academics that prepare you for college and career
- Earn college credit in high school with Dual Enrollment
- Intensive Career and Technical Education Programs
- Extended-Day for credit recovery
- Sports programs

Sabino High School teaches students how to build a strong foundation to achieve success in the future.
- Excelling in Academics
- Arts and Music
- Outstanding Sports programs
- Advanced Placement Courses
- Extended-Day for credit recovery
- Earn college credit in high school with Dual Enrollment
- Career and Technical Education Programs

No matter where your family lives in Tucson, with Open Enrollment your student has great school options where they can be part of a program that’s a perfect fit. Sabino and Santa Rita High Schools have small class sizes that can help your child achieve their goals. EXPRESS Shuttle Service is FREE. Simply get your student to one of our Express stops, and they’ll be able to quickly catch an Express Shuttle to school.

Stops and schedules go to TUSD1.org/EXPRESS

225-4800 TUSD1.org/Transportation
TUSD1.org/EXPRESS
Open Enrollment
Arizona allows students to apply for admission to any school. Tucson Unified does not offer transportation to open enrollment students except through the Incentive Transportation program. The School Choice Calculator will help determine if you qualify.

Incentive Transportation
Tucson Unified provides an incentive to diversify the student population by offering transportation to some students. The School Choice Calculator will help you determine if your child qualifies for this service. In this program, the district uses strategically placed, pre-determined stops, to pick up students. Parents must transport their child to these stops.

School Choice Calculator
The School Choice Calculator is an online tool to help determine if your child qualifies for free transportation through our Incentive Transportation Program.

Check it out online at TUSD1.org/schoolchoice
Call (520) 225-4800, visit a school or one of our five family resource centers for additional information.

Who Can Ride The Bus?
Every student is assigned to a school based on their home address – this is the student’s Neighborhood School. All students who live within the boundaries of Tucson Unified School District are eligible to ride the bus to their Neighborhood School unless they are within walking distance. Walking distance is 2½ miles for middle and high school students, and 1½ miles for Elementary and K-8 students.

Bus Route Notification
The Transportation Department will notify parents of their child’s assigned bus route. Routing information is also available through Parent Access Accounts. Before the beginning of school, letters are mailed home to all eligible students who have been placed on a bus route.

Transportation Programs
There are a number of district programs that offer transportation to schools that are not the Neighborhood School and are not within walking distance.

- Magnet – Magnet programs provide a special field of study at specific schools. Transportation is available to all magnet students not within walking distance.
- GATE – Gifted and Talented Education offers self-contained programs at selected district schools. Students are provided transportation to these programs.
- Special Programs – Programs for students such as exceptional education, non-English speakers, etc. are placed across the district. Students are transported to the nearest site that supports their needs.