Transportation Equity Fund — FY 2020

Iowa Code section 257.16C establishes the Transportation Equity Program. The Program was created to provide additional funding to school districts for public school transportation costs that exceed a statewide adjusted average cost per student. The Program also created the Transportation Equity Fund. The Fund is under the control of the Department of Management.

Transportation costs can vary by district. In FY 2020, $19.0 million was appropriated from the General Fund to the Transportation Equity Fund, with 185 districts receiving aid. The following visualization shows the range of the transportation cost per pupil by school district. Each district is represented by a circle. Enrollment for each district is represented by the size of the circle. Districts in gray do not receive aid from the Fund, while districts in blue will receive aid from the Fund in FY 2020.

For more information on the Transportation Equity Fund, and how aid payments are calculated, see the Fiscal Topic Transportation Equity Program.

Sources:  Department of Management, LSA Calculations
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