Can transportation time be used as instruction time for day school students?

No. Transportation time cannot be used as instruction time for day school students in meeting the minimum required hours for academic funding.

How does OIEP allocate transportation funds to schools?

OIEP allocates transportation funds based on the types of transportation programs that the school provides. To allocate transportation funds OIEP:

(a) Multiplies the one-way commercial costs for all schools by four to identify the total commercial costs for all schools;
(b) Subtracts the commercial cost total from the appropriated transportation funds and allocates the balance of the transportation funds to each school with a per-mile rate;
(c) Divides the balance of funds by the sum of the annual day miles and the annual residential miles to identify a per-mile rate;
(d) For day transportation, multiplies the per-mile rate times the annual day miles for each school; and
(e) For residential transportation, multiplies the per mile rate times the annual transportation miles for each school.

What is the formula to determine the amount necessary to sustain a school’s academic or residential program?

The formula is as follows:

\[
\text{Student Unit Value} \times \text{Weighted Student Unit} = \text{Annual Minimum Amount per student.}
\]

The Secretary’s formula to determine the minimum annual amount necessary to sustain a Bureau-funded school’s academic or residential program is as follows:

\[
\text{Student Unit Value} \times \text{Weighted Student Unit} = \text{Annual Minimum Amount per student.}
\]

What is the student unit value in the formula?

The student unit value is the dollar value applied to each student in an academic or residential program. There are two types of student unit values:

- The student unit instructional value (SUIV)
- The student unit residential value (SURV).

What is a weighted student unit in the formula?

A weighted student unit is an adjusted ratio using factors in the Indian School Equalization Formula to establish educational priorities and to provide for the unique needs of specific students, such as:

- Students in grades kindergarten through 3 or grades 7 through 12;
- Special education students;
- Gifted and talented students;
- Distance education students;
- Vocational and industrial education students;
- Native Language Instruction students;
- Small schools;
- Personnel costs;
- Alternative schooling; and
- Early Childhood Education programs.

What is the SUIV calculated?

The SUIV is calculated by the following 5-step process:

(a) Step 1. Use the adjusted national average current expenditures (ANACE)