INFORMATION SHEET 10/8/19 TRUSTEES' MEETING

ATTACHMENT: 7.4

TO: Jim Bridges, Superintendent

FOR: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dena Whittington, CBO

ISSUE: School Bus Driver Stipend

The Jefferson School District is currently operating three routes that transport students from home to school. All three drivers are full time with their day being spent 6 hours behind the wheel and two hours with additional duties depending on district needs. At this time there are no substitute bus drivers on file. When a substitute bus driver is not available, the Maintenance Operations and Transportation (MOT) Director drives the route. This drastically limits time to manage the MOT program.

In an effort to provide bus driver coverage for statutory sick and vacation leaves afforded our classified staff, the district would like to offer a stipend of $4,000 to any district employee who has a Class B license with endorsements to drive a school bus. This would be open to any employee that would not directly impact the classroom. A minimum of 15 days of substitute driving per school year would need to be met in order to qualify. Interested employees who do not currently have an active Class B license with endorsements can be trained by the district.