

**WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Office of the Superintendent**

**Date: 1/04/12**

**Request For Placement on Board Agenda:**

**AGENDA TOPIC:**

**PRESENTER: Valerie Taylor, Director of Transportation/Facilities & Operations**

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**Background Information:**

The California Department of Education has made available a Small School District & County Office of Education Bus Replacement Program. This funding is provided to upgrade school buses to comply with 1992 federal safety standards. Priority will be for the purchase of new school buses to replace existing vehicles. Second priority will be to reconditioning existing school buses. Any remaining funds will be available for the purchase of new school buses to increase the fleet owned by the district or county office

Seventy-five percent of the funds will be allocated based upon priority categories of vehicle age, mileage and type of vehicle. Twenty-five percent of the funds will be allocated based upon the condition of the vehicles replaced.

Applications have been made available for this program and are due to the state by January 13, 2012.

It is in our best interest because of our buses having excess mileage and aged, to be replaced.

We are requesting permission to submit an application and participate in the Small School District and County Office of Education Bus Replacement Program.

**Recommendations:**

Approve permission for the Superintendent or his designee to submit an application and authorize any other documents necessary to be funded or if funded.