

## School Transportation for Homeless Students Summary Report

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### Requirements

- As a condition of the funds in unit of appropriation number 438, the Department of Education shall submit to the council semi-annual reports on busing provided for student living in shelters. Such reports shall detail the number of students who have been routed and a snapshot of the number of students who are waiting to be routed. The semi-annual reports shall be submitted as follows: the first report shall be submitted no later than December 31, 2019 and shall cover the period beginning July 1, 2019 and ending December 15, 2019. The second report shall be submitted no later than June 1, 2020 and shall cover the period beginning December 16, 2019 and ending May 15, 2020.

### Assumptions

- A student living in shelters was interpreted as a student living in a DHS shelter
- A student living in DHS shelter was identified by the feed of data provided to DOE from DHS daily from August to June
- Because the reporting period spanned summer, but the DHS feed is not provided during summer we reported shelter students from September to December 15<sup>th</sup>
- A monthly snapshot from the middle of the month for September, October, November and December was used to cover the reporting period
- A student was included if they were identified in any monthly snapshot
- A student was recorded as routed if they were routed at any point during the reporting period
- A student was recorded as waiting to be routed if they were waiting for routing in all monthly snapshots

## Definitions

Category	Definition
Routed	Student is currently assigned to a bus route
Stop Requested- Routing Pending	OPT operations requested that a bus stop be added to accommodate the student
Waiting To Be Routed	Student is not yet routed, may be due to unavailable route or vehicle, OPT could not confirm ridership with parent, discrepancy in data between DHS and DOE
MetroCard	Parent opted the student out of busing and requested a MetroCard
Self Transport By Parent Choice	Parent has private transportation or alternate arrangements for the child to commute to and from school
Newly Arrived or Transferred To Shelter	Student has recently entered the shelter or moved to a new shelter and is within the allotted timeframe to be routed, which is 7 days from entry in shelter

## Data

Unique Count of DOE Students Living in DHS shelters September 2019 to December 2019	
Category	Count of Students
Routed	7134
Stop Requested- Routing Pending	12
Waiting To Be Routed	134
MetroCard	410
Self Transport By Parent Choice	13
Newly Arrived or Transferred To Shelter	144
Total	7847