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## UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

**TOPIC:** Possible Elimination of Busing Services to G/T Magnet Elementary and Middle Schools

**SUBMITTED BY:** Eduardo Zuniga / Joe Aranda OF Associate Supt. for Student Support Services/  
Ex. Dir. Transportation

**APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:** February 16, 2009

### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff has reviewed the costs associated with student busing to the G/T Magnet programs at Gutierrez Elementary, Ruiz Elementary, Clark Middle, and United South Middle Schools. Potential savings could exceed \$160,000 per year.

### RATIONALE:

All district elementary and middle schools are currently providing G/T services to students.

### BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

Potential cost savings of \$160,000 per year

### BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:

**United Independent School District  
Current Transportation Requirements for G/T Magnet Students  
School Year 2008-2009**

<b>GT Program</b>			
<b>Route</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Students</b>	<b>Miles</b>
214	Amparo Gutierrez/Clark Middle	5	37
242	Clark Middle	5	35
253	Clark Middle	26	63
256	Amparo Gutierrez	3	30
88	Amparo Gutierrez	18	40
222	Ruiz Elementary/United South Middle	51	112
24	Ruiz Elementary/United South Middle	37	76
<b>Total</b>		<b>145</b>	<b>393</b>

**Potential Cost Savings:**

5 Bus drivers at \$25,000 per year	\$125,000
Mileage - 393 miles/day X 175 days X \$.55 per mile	<u>\$37,826</u>
<b>Total Potential Savings</b>	<b><u>\$162,826</u></b>