

TRANSPORTATION ANNUAL REPORT

New Berlin CUSD #16

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For Current Year Department Data

For Year 2023 – 2024 (Graphs and Claim Data)

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

► Fleet

- District currently owns 21 buses
 - 17 - 71 Passenger
 - 4 - 14 Passenger
- Age of Fleet
 - Oldest is 2017
 - Newest is 2026
- Avg. Cost per Bus
 - New \$157,944

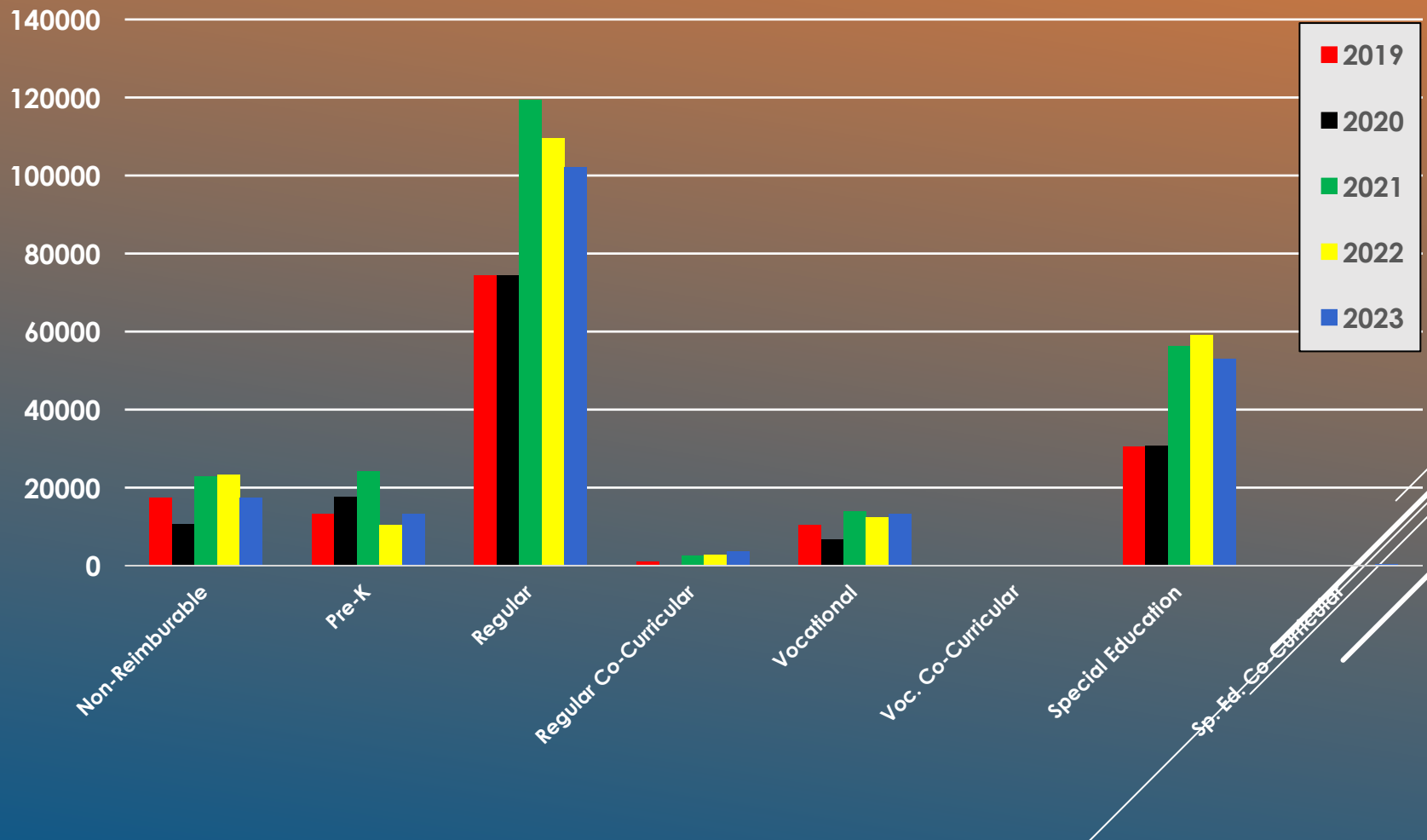
► Personnel

- 20 Drivers (Train. Cord. & Office Manager)
- 7 Bus Monitors
- 1 Assistant Transportation Director / Mechanic
- 1 Director
- Longevity = 1-17 years

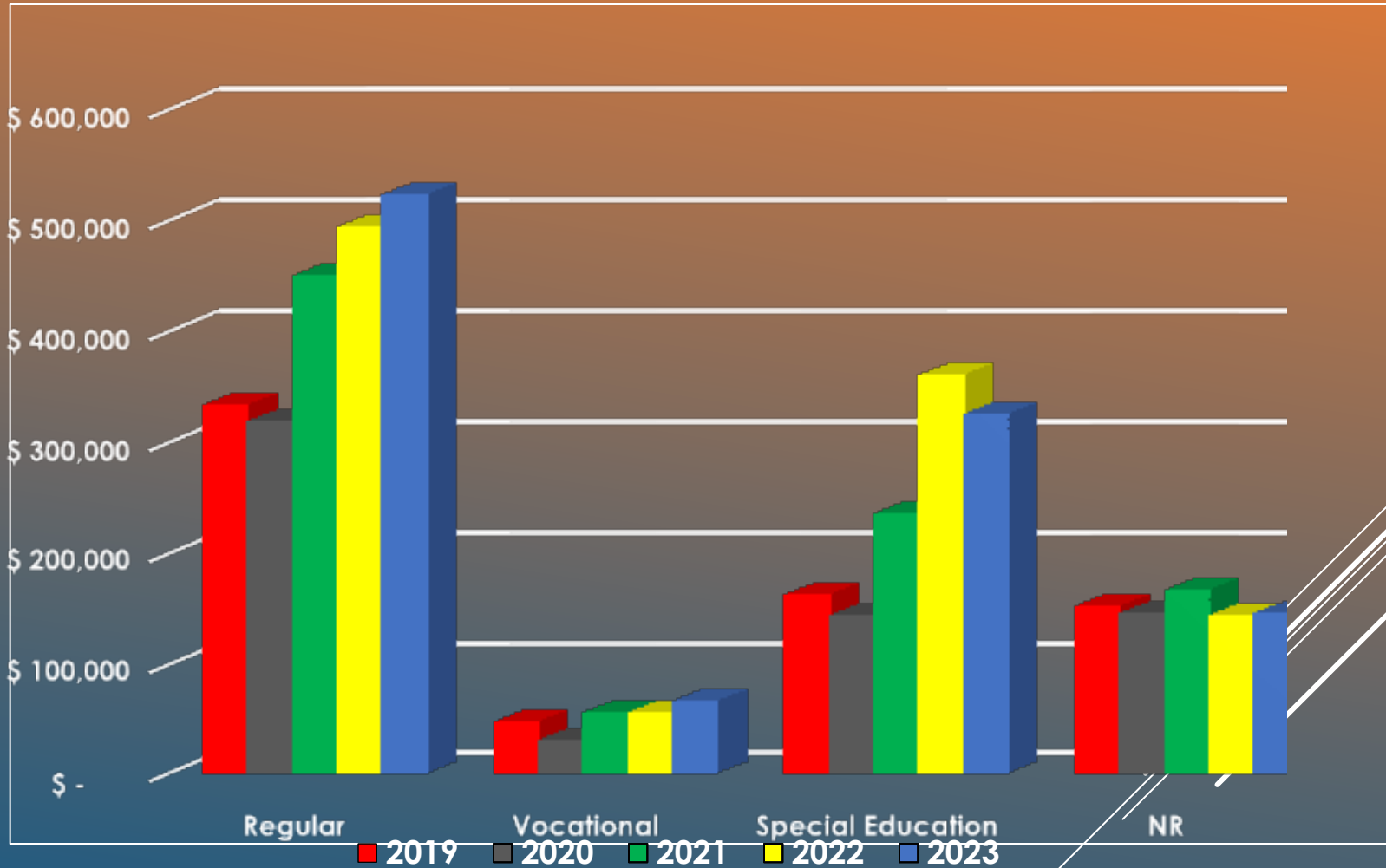
► Routes (41 total)

- (654 Riders of 864 Students)
- Regular Routes
(to/from campus schools)
 - 12 AM & PM
- Pre-K Routes
 - Morning Students
 - Ride regular route to school
 - 2 mid-day routes from school
 - Afternoon Students
 - 3 mid-day routes to school
 - Ride regular route from school
- Special Routes
 - 1 - SASSED Central (To and From)
 - 1 – SASSED Central (To Only)
 - 1 - CACC (To and From)
 - 1 - Safe School (To and From)
 - 1 – SCLA (To and From)
 - 1 – STEP work program (To and From)
 - 1 – From SCLA

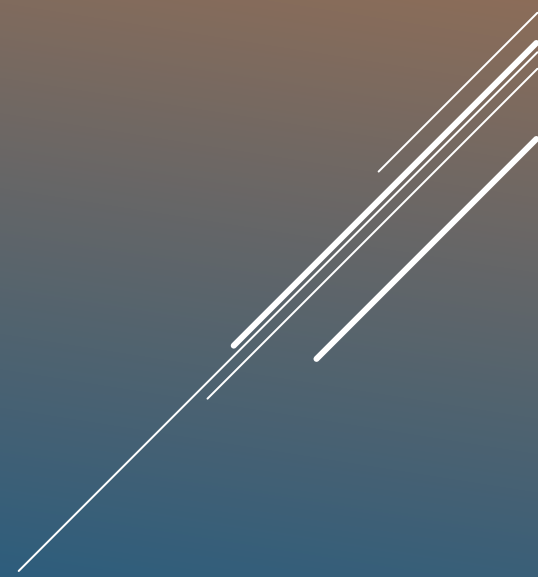
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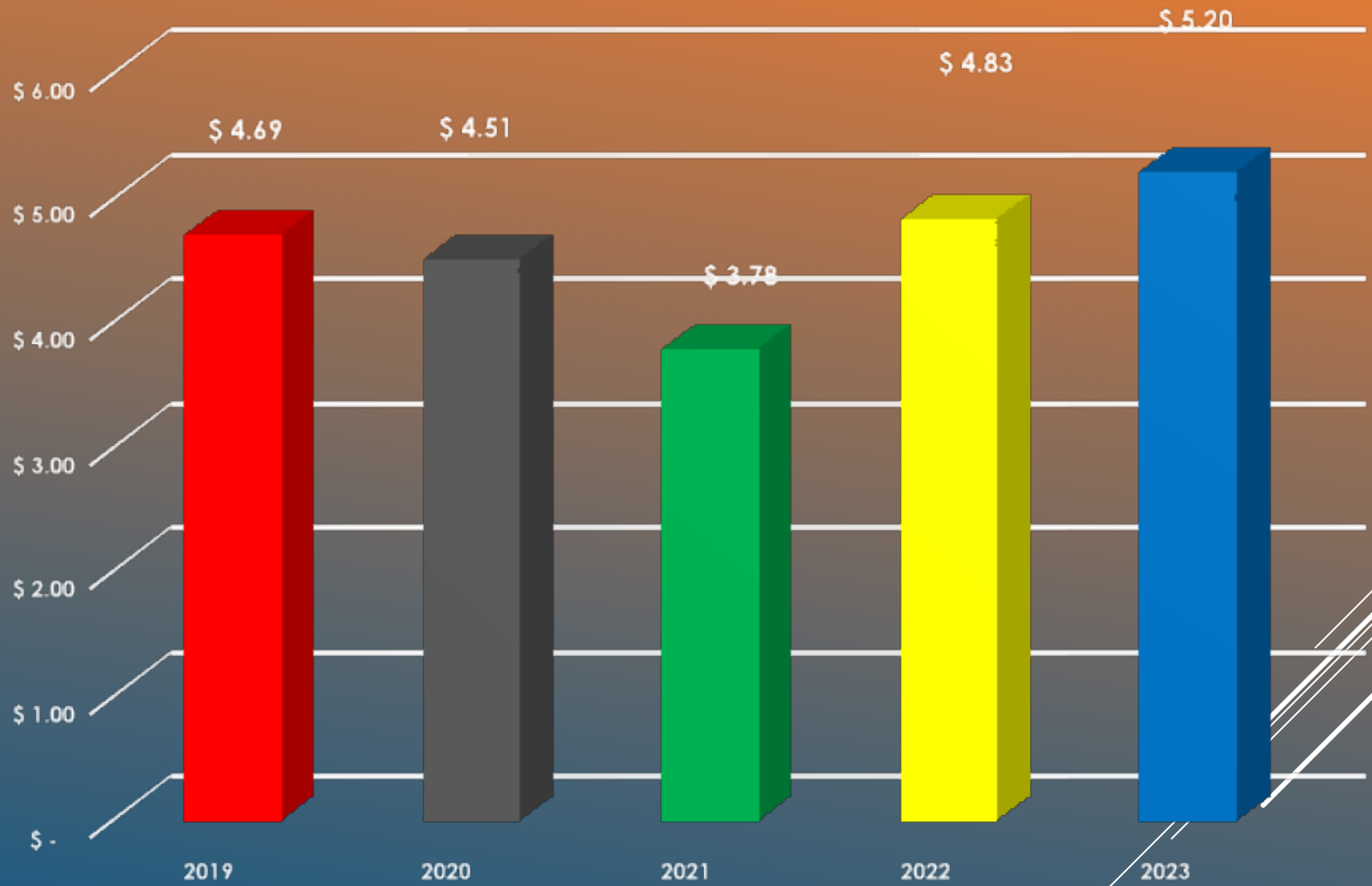
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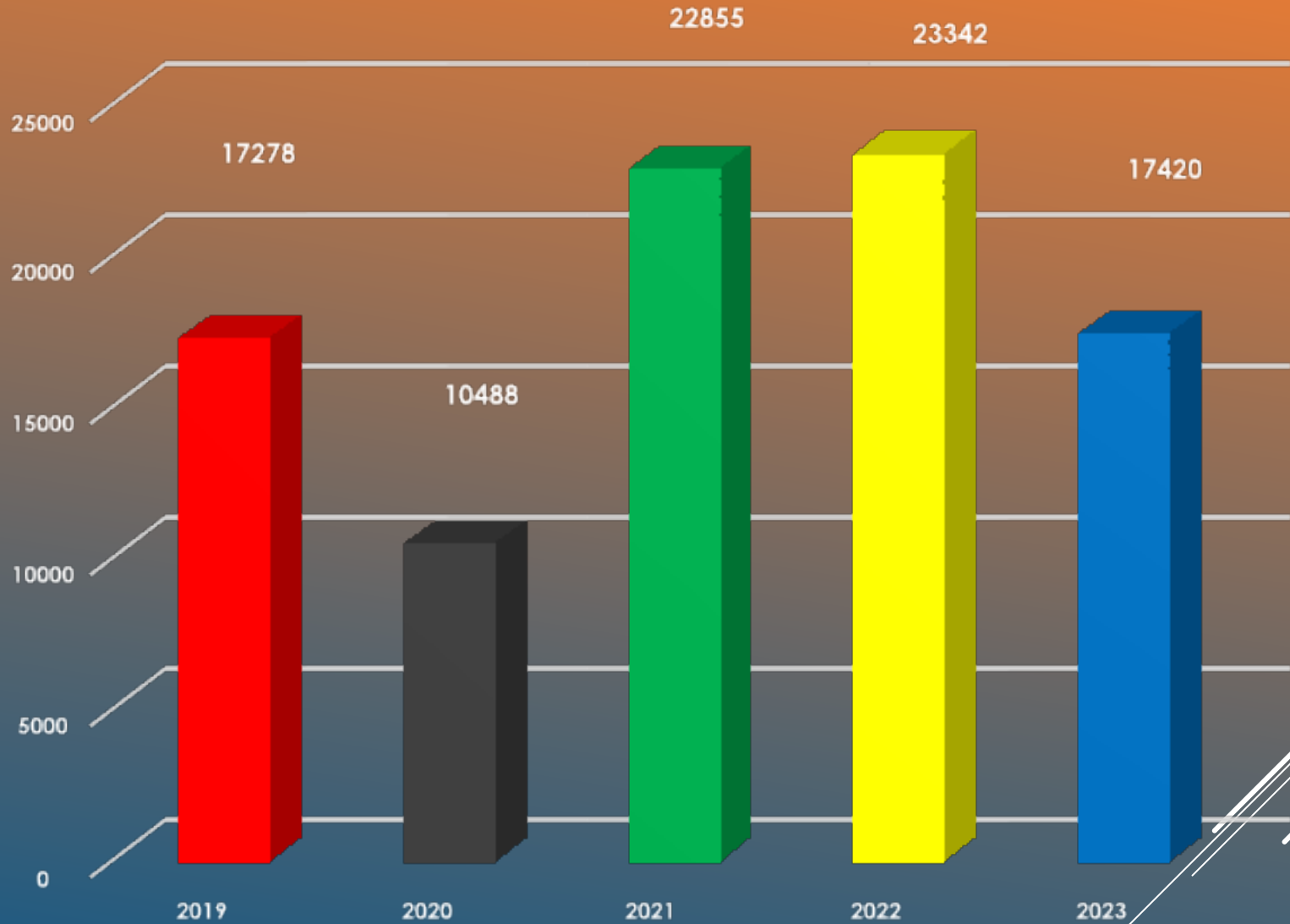
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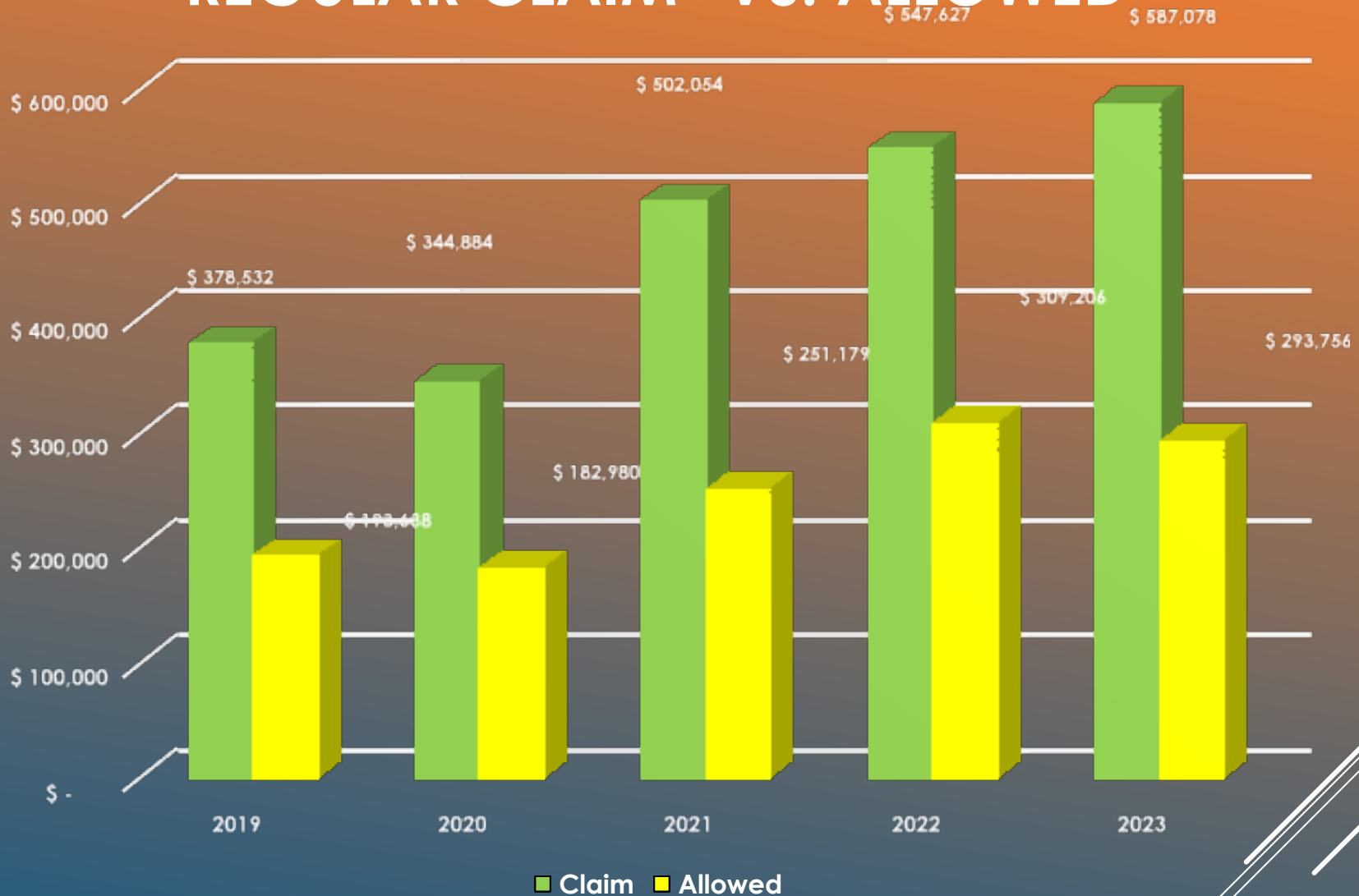
AVERAGE COST PER MILE



NON-REIMBURSABLE MILES



REGULAR CLAIM* VS. ALLOWED+



*Regular claim includes only Regular and Vocational expenses

+ Allowed is final computation claim payout for regular and vocational expenses from ISBE.

SPED CLAIM VS ALLOWED



2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

► Communication Improvements

- Development in Department Culture
- Addition of Team Building Activities
- Emergency Binders Updates on each bus
- Update of Universal Disciplinary Steps Between Transportation and School Buildings. Utilization of Skyward
- Integrate and Utilize Thrillshare Rooms to improve communication with parents.

► Technology Improvements

- Utilization of Route finder
- Utilization of Wayfinder
- Utilization of Google Form for Transportation Requests (J.Spann)
- Utilization of Samsara for video on bus.
- Remote accessing of tablets on route.
- GPS monitoring of locations and past events for all buses.
- Turn by turn directions of Route Changes for Drivers.
- Electronic Attendance to be taken in real time on routes via Wayfinder.

- Daily uploads and downloads to and from Skyward with transportation data.

► Required Trainings

- Annual Refresher Class
 - July 31st, 2024
- Implementation of Federal ELDT Training
- Utilized professional development covering how to identify social emotional factors that can impact student behavior.

► Operations Improvements

- Continuation of Strategic Budget Planning Process
- Alignment of Transportation Accounts.
- Transportation of 654 students (76%) vs 641 from year before with shorter routes.
- No student on bus for more than 55 minutes.
- Integration of PBIS compatible behavior system on All Buses.

CHALLENGES MOVING FORWARD

- ▶ Finding ways to decrease our non-reimbursable miles.
- ▶ Ability to handle hazardous weather conditions based on road commissioners not having any product to utilize for roadways.
- ▶ Finding ways to spend money from transportation fund to help claim numbers while helping the district schools as well.
- ▶ Picking up and dropping off students with the new build of new high school and junior high.
- ▶ Federal requirements to license bus drivers (ELDT).
 - ▶ 40 Hours of Classroom Video
 - ▶ 16 Hours Behind the Wheel Training
- ▶ Recruiting and Retaining Bus Drivers and Monitors
 - ▶ Payment of Drivers

GOALS

- ▶ New Bus Garage to protect Fleet
- ▶ Utilize new white bus to improve non-reimbursable miles.
- ▶ Continued realignment of routes to improve efficiency
- ▶ Continued realignment of Budget to capture savings, cost, and revenue.
- ▶ Utilize opportunities to improve the annual claim to capture more revenue.
- ▶ Continued Realignment of department to improve efficiency and consistency.
- ▶ Create Opportunities to foster and grow culture.
- ▶ Hire more drivers and monitors

