

## Cost of Option to Bus One Grade From Thompson to Peirce in 2015-2016

The daily cost of a bus averages \$350/day for a large bus.

Large buses can hold 50 students in grades 3-5; 60-70 students in grades K-2.

Regardless of grade level bused, we would need two buses or two bus runs.

### Estimated costs for two buses:

Bus rental	$\$350 \times 180 \times 2$	\$126,000
Bus monitor	$\$60 \times 180 \times 2$	\$21,600
.6 FTE Teacher(s) (\$58,000 aver.)		\$34,800
TOTAL		\$182,400

### Estimated costs for one bus (2 runs)

Bus rental	$\$350 \times 180$	\$63,000
Bus monitor	$\$60 \times 180$	\$10,800
Supervisor (am & pm)	$\$40 \times 180 \times 2$	\$14,400
.6 FTE Teacher(s) (\$58,000 aver.)		\$34,800
TOTAL		\$123,000

### PROS:

1. Less expensive than two modular classrooms
2. Opportunity to meet students in another school.

### Cons:

1. Challenging logistics for families to both wait at a bus at stop for one child and to also drop siblings off at Thompson. If bus pick-up/drop-off at Thompson, parents would likely have different drop-off and pick-up times at Thompson for siblings.
2. Would likely require additional FTEs to cover music, art and support services.
3. Students requiring an after-school program would be chronically late to the Thompson program or need to attend the Peirce program (assuming openings), which would require pick-up at Peirce. Some families do not own a car.
4. Busing plan utilizing only one bus would require student supervision both in the morning and afternoon at Peirce and Thompson (assuming bus leaves from Thompson).