

Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada

Transportation Plan

The intent of Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada's (PANN) transportation plan is to facilitate transportation options for students who may not otherwise have the ability to attend PANN and will contribute toward enrolling a student population that is representative of the Washoe County School District population. As the first charter school in Nevada to facilitate transportation options, we are working diligently to find community partners and options for families that are feasible for the school. Here are the options we are working to secure for the school:

Shuttle Option from a Central Location

PANN is working with community partners such as the Boys & Girls Club to provide a shuttle from a central location in a target neighborhood, such as the Sun Valley Community Center. This shuttle would provide transportation to the school in the morning, with families able to utilize after-school care with the Boys & Girls Club until pick up. We anticipate morning transportation will be more important and more heavily utilized than afternoon transportation due to different work schedules and evening pick-up times. We will be discussing transportation needs during community events and door-to-door outreach to ensure this option works for families. We have also had discussions with the Washoe County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) and they are working to provide more flexible transportation options in the Sparks/Spanish Springs area. We will continue to work with them to facilitate public transportation options to PANN.

Shuttle Option from Reno Sparks Indian Colony

PANN is partnering with the Reno Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) to provide transportation for students in the Hungry Valley tribal community. The RSIC education department has a shuttle available for student transport and is posting a job position for a driver to ensure any RSIC student enrolled at PANN will have transportation available. It is important to note that PANN is approximately the same distance from the Hungry Valley tribal community as their zoned elementary school.

Coordination with child-program providers

Throughout the Reno-Sparks area there are several child program providers, such as before-and-after-school facilities, health clubs, kids camps, extracurricular-activity programs (music, sports, art, theatre, etc.) that offer pick-up and drop-off services. We will connect with these providers and seek transportation and collaboration opportunities.

Carpool Facilitation

PANN will work to facilitate carpooling for all interested families. We are exploring options for carpooling software and systems utilized at other schools. We have also connected with educational ride share company HopSkipDrive about providing services for PANN. They are not currently available in Washoe County, but we will reevaluate the ability to partner with them as they grow.