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To: District Fiscal Directors
Charter School Administrators

From: Cathy McKim

Re: Applications Available for Small School District and County Office of Education Bus Replacement
Deadline to Apply is January 11, 2013!

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify you that the California Department of Education (CDE) has announced that funding in the amount of \$4,879,000 is available by application to replace older school buses that are owned by small school districts, county offices of education and direct funded charter schools. For the purposes of this program, a small school district, county office of education or direct-funded charter school is one with prior year average daily attendance of less than 2,501 units.

Be advised that Funding is provided to small school districts and county offices of education to upgrade school buses to comply with 1992 federal safety standards. When allocating funding, the first priority will be for the purchase of new school buses to replace existing vehicles. The second priority will be for reconditioning existing school buses. Any remaining funds will be available for the purchase of new school buses to increase the fleet owned by the district or county office.

To find the announcement letter, application, application instructions and checklist, and Program Information Manual containing detailed information about the program, please visit the CDE Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/ca/smallschdistcoebus.asp>. Select "Small School District and County Office of Education – 2012 Request for Applications" under "Other Fiscal Information" for Fiscal Year 2012–13. Please review the information carefully as changes have been made from prior years

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