



“Bridging the Gap between Home and School”



Innovative programs allow many students with disabilities to attend schools

TRAVEL TRAINING FOR STUDENTS CAN EXPAND THEIR TRANSPORT OPTIONS

Would you like your students to develop more transportation independence skills? Consider teaching a “Bus in the Classroom” program to your students. Such a program will help students to:

- Learn transportation-related life skills
- Improve safety
- Improve school transport behaviors
- Build self esteem
- Reinforce learned behaviors/skills
- May reduce parent’s requirements to ride with the student



In the USA, this program is known for its ability to teach students with special needs. It can be relevant to different types of vehicles in other countries as well. This could be a skill-building opportunity for many children and could improve students’ chances of riding a bus or using public transportation “on their own” as they grow older.

For further information:

- Visit Access Exchange International (AEI) at <https://www.globalride-sf.org/> and click the guide, “Bridging the Gap: Your role in transporting children with disabilities to school.” Go to Section 9 on “Travel training for children with disabilities,” as well as the case study on “ ‘Bus in the Classroom’ at the Newport-Mesa school district.”
- Visit the Newport-Mesa school district at www.nmusd.us/BIC for a video about “Bus in the Classroom.” Contact Pete Meslin at petemeslin@gmail.com for more information.
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