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Steven Carrillo Named New Transportation Director

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) Board of Education approved the appointment of Steve Carrillo as the transportation director at its regular April 3, 2025, board meeting.

Carrillo is a familiar face around SMMUSD and bus routes having worked since 1998 as a bus driver, then transportation supervisor / dispatcher and as the interim director since July 2024.

"I am thrilled for the opportunity to serve both the Santa Monica and Malibu communities," said Carrillo. "I have been employed with SMMUSD since 1998, working in the transportation department, and I am fully committed to my ongoing service. The safety of our students and staff is my top priority, and I am looking forward to continuing my service to ensure our students are transported safely."



In his role as supervisor since 2018 then interim director in 2024, Carrillo assisted with coordinating school routes for special education and Malibu general education students, coordinated transportation for school field trips and activities and prepared required records and reports. He is responsible for assisting transportation drivers with California laws and regulations. The past several months since the area wildfires Carrillo has been instrumental on adjusting routes and focused on the safest and most expeditious routes for our Malibu and special education students to get to and from school.

"Mr. Carrillo has been a dedicated SMMUSD transportation employee for 26 years, dedicated to the safety and care of our special education and general education students who rely on our bus services for daily transportation, in addition to for field trips, athletic and other events," said Superintendent Dr. Antonio Shelton. "We are pleased to promote him into this role permanently."

Carrillo has responsibly handled the recent challenges faced with the closure of PCH and canyon roads during and following the recent wildfires. He successfully reorganized bus schedules and ensured the safety of SMMUSD students under very difficult circumstances. His ongoing efforts and dedication have been appreciated.

Carrillo holds the required school bus certificate by the Department of Motor Vehicles and is bilingual in Spanish.

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