

RouteWise AI — AI-Optimized School Bus Routing Recovers Instructional Hours in Denver, Colorado Springs, Aurora and Dayton

AI in Education · Good practice · United States of America

Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Denver Public Schools co-developed RouteWise AI with HopSkipDrive to optimize bus routes; trade press reports Colorado Springs D11 recovered 17,000+ instructional hours and cut routes nearly 50%, part of \$100M+ HopSkipDrive says its AI has saved districts overall.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	2/3
Equity & inclusion	1/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	1/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	0/3
Scalability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-12

[Denver Public Schools / HopSkipDrive \(RouteWise AI\)](#) — accessed 2026-07-12

[GovTech: On School Bus Route Planning, Districts Get a Lift From AI](#) — accessed 2026-07-12

[School Bus Fleet: What Happens When AI Rebuilds a School Bus Route](#) — accessed 2026-07-12

[HopSkipDrive: RouteWise AI Hits \\$100M in School Transportation Savings](#) — accessed 2026-07-12

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