

HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT 2018 / 2019

Entitlement for free school transport

Gloucestershire

Students who live within the school's catchment area and more than three miles from the school are entitled to free transport. Parents should register with the Admissions team at Shire Hall, who can be contacted on 01452 425407.

Students who live within three miles of the school, but for whom there is no safe route to the school, may also apply to the Gloucestershire School Admissions Team for free transport.

Other general queries on school transport in Gloucestershire are handled by the Integrated Transport Unit at Shire Hall, Gloucester, GL1 2TP. This Department will organise the posting of the bus passes to your home during the Summer holiday. The direct line for the Department in case of a query arising is 01452 425387.

Herefordshire

Students who live in Herefordshire and more than three miles from school, but we are your nearest secondary school, should contact The Herefordshire Council, Children's Services Directorate on 01432 260925 (Admissions) or 01432 260937 / 260931 (Transport).

Not entitled for free school transport

The following services are offered for students who live closer to school than 3 miles or who live outside the Newent School catchment area. You may still apply to Gloucestershire County Council if there is a school bus route near to your home and you wish to pay using the above contact numbers.

Forest of Dean: Stagecoach West currently runs a private service from the Forest of Dean to school, dependent upon numbers. Contract details for this service are available from the school only, on 01531 820550.

Gloucester City: Stagecoach West currently runs three private services from the City to school, dependent upon numbers. Contract details for this service are available from the school only, on 01531 820550.

Ross-on-Wye district: Stagecoach West traditionally run a public service bus from the bus station in Ross to the school. Their contact number is 0871 200 2233.

General issues on travelling to school are covered by selecting the Travel and Transport link at https://www.gov.uk/help-home-school-transport

Travel on school transport

School bus passes are issued for use on school days and for the specified bus only. It is necessary to show the bus pass at the start of every journey and, therefore, must be carried at all times.

As your child accepts his/her bus pass, they also accept the contract that applies to this. This details what is reasonable behaviour on the bus and emphasises the requirement to wear seatbelts where these are available. It also requires the student to be at their designated collection point 10 minutes before the published time.

Details regarding behaviour on school buses are available from using the following link - Bus Conduct

If you are still unsure about transport issues, please contact the School on 01531 820550.