2020 Transport policy statement for students in further education aged 16–18 and continuing students aged 19.

Name of LEA: Hampshire

Department Responsible: Education

Hampshire County Council 2020/2021 Transport policy statement for students in further education aged 16-19, continuing students and young people aged 19-24 with learning disabilities

1. Commitment

Hampshire County Council (HCC) and its post 16 providers are committed to ensuring transport is available to enable students to access education and training as set out in this policy statement. Support is provided either by the County Council or post 16 providers. This policy statement applies for 2020/2021 only and sets out the support available.

There is no automatic entitlement to free home to school or college transport once a student is over 16. The County Council has considered its resources and the travel to college opportunities for students. Students can attend a college of choice and, if needed, apply to their college’s student support for assistance. The cost and mechanical process of transporting young people with special educational needs is greater and more complex. HCC recognises that families may need a transport service to ensure that 16+ special needs or disabled students can access a place that is suitable for their needs and so do offer, under discretionary powers, a transport service that requires an annual parental contribution.

2. General transport available

There are a number of public transport service providers in Hampshire. Colleges and schools in Hampshire have their own transport arrangements but the situation does vary. Students should check with their setting about the transport arrangements and ticketing prices that can apply to both bus and train travel. The following link provides the information supplied by colleges and sixth form establishments.

College and School Details

Other transport support

Post 16 education providers and other agencies provide support with transport in certain cases, for example:

- Cycle schemes
- Care to Learn - https://www.gov.uk/care-to-learn/overview
- Wheels to Work - http://www3.hants.gov.uk/wheels-to-work
- Brain in Hand - http://braininhand.co.uk/

3. Qualification for support from Hampshire County Council for students attending colleges and
HCC will assist with travel expenses for post-16 students with special educational needs or a disability. A parental contribution towards the cost of this transport will be required; the cost will be decided by applying the following charging schedule:

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Transport will normally only be offered if the student has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) or if the student has a disability which means he/she requires transport arrangements to be provided. The student or their parents will need to apply for transport and evidence that HCC must provide transport to facilitate attendance, and evidence that without transport assistance, the student will be unable to attend the educational placement.

When assessing an application, HCC will refer to the criteria provided in Appendix 1.

4. Post 16 training providers and apprenticeships
The same qualifications as set out in paragraph 3 apply for students attending post 16 training providers. Students in apprenticeships with employed status do not qualify for any assistance with travel costs.

5. Qualification for support from colleges and schools with sixth forms including academies
In addition to the support available from HCC, post 16 providers may also provide financial support towards transport costs for certain students such as young parents, those from low income families, those at risk of being Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEETs). This is determined by the provider and is often based on how they have locally determined to use ‘hardship’ funds.

Please follow the link below to information provided by post-16 providers regarding transport services.

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6. Assistance with transport for students over the age of 19 with learning difficulties or disabilities

Students over the age of 19 may qualify for transport assistance if they are subject to an Education, Health and Care Plan.

It will then be provided either up until the age of 24 or until the student completes the course, whichever is the earliest.

The student or their parents will need to apply for transport and evidence that HCC must provide
transport to facilitate attendance and evidence that without transport assistance, the student will be unable to attend the educational placement.

When assessing an application for transport assistance, the Council will refer to the criteria provided in Appendix 1.

7. **Independent Travel Training**
The County Council provides some mobility/independence training for students with learning difficulties or disabilities. Children in special schools will be subject to transition plans in year 9 and independence training can form part of that plan. Some colleges also provide mobility/independence training.

8. **Students attending providers outside Hampshire**
The County Council may provide assistance with transport to support students attending providers outside of the county, but students need to qualify for support against the criteria outlined in paragraph 3. The provider attended may also be able to provide some support, see paragraph 5.

9. **Students attending providers in Hampshire but living outside the county**
Such students should apply to their home Local Authority for assistance. However, providers themselves may provide assistance and are not bound by county boundaries.

10. **Applying for assistance with transport**
Students wishing to apply for help with transport can do so by accessing the HCC website where further details are available:

    http://www3.hants.gov.uk/yourfuture.htm

Students may also wish to apply to colleges direct for help. Paragraph 12 provides details of the colleges and their contact details together with an outline of the assistance they provide.

11. **Appeals/Complaints**
Complaints regarding any aspect of the policy statement must first be taken up with HCC. If these do not result in a satisfactory outcome, young people or their families may complain to the Secretary of State for Education.

Students wishing to make an appeal regarding a transport entitlement decision, or subsequent transport arrangements or a requirement to make a contribution to the cost of travel should write to the Head of Information Transport and Admissions, Children’s Services Department, Hampshire County Council, The Castle, Winchester, Hampshire, SO23 8UG. The appeals process is provided in Appendix 2.

12. **College and School Details**

    **College and sixth form school details**

    Please see below a list of Hampshire colleges and sixth form providers, including neighbouring colleges and sixth form providers that Hampshire students often choose to attend. Clicking on the college name will take you to the individual establishments’ travel information. In most cases, information and figures provided are for the 2020/21 academic year. For full, up to date, travel information for each college please refer to the relevant college website (links are provided).
Hampshire establishments:

ANDOVER COLLEGE
https://www.andover.ac.uk/transport/

BARTON PEVERIL COLLEGE, EASTLEIGH
https://www.barton-peveril.ac.uk/getting-to-barton-peveril/

BASINGSTOKE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY
https://www.bcot.ac.uk/information/getting-here

BROCKENHURST COLLEGE
https://www.brock.ac.uk/sixth-form/travelling-to-brock

EASTLEIGH COLLEGE
www.eastleigh.ac.uk/student-support/bus-and-train-travel

FAREHAM COLLEGE
https://www.fareham.ac.uk/getting-here/

FARNBOROUGH COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY
https://www.farn-ct.ac.uk/student-life/travel/

THE SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, FARNBOROUGH
www.farnborough.ac.uk/life-farnborough-traveltocollege

HSDC
https://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/

PETER SYMONDS COLLEGE
https://www.psc.ac.uk/student-services

QUEEN MARY’S COLLEGE, BASINGSTOKE
https://www.qmc.ac.uk/student-life/travelling-qmc

RICHARD TAUNTON SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, SOUTHAMPTON
http://www.richardtaunton.ac.uk/about-us/transport/

SPARSHOLT COLLEGE
https://www.sparsholt.ac.uk/the-college/transport/

ST VINCENT SIXTH FORM COLLEGE
http://www.stvincent.ac.uk/travel-to-st-vincent

TOTTON COLLEGE
https://www.totton.ac.uk/life-at-totton-college/student-support/

Out of county establishments:
CHICHESTER COLLEGE
https://www.chichester.ac.uk/college-life/financial-support

GUILDFORD COLLEGE & MERRIST WOOD COLLEGE
https://www.guildford.ac.uk/1618/Support/TravelTransport.aspx

HIGHBURY COLLEGE, PORTSMOUTH
https://www.highbury.ac.uk/about/campus-locations/travel-support/

NEWBURY COLLEGE
https://www.newbury-college.ac.uk/info/getting-to-newbury-college

PORTSMOUTH COLLEGE
https://www.portsmouth-college.ac.uk/sixth-form/support-for-students/

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COLLEGE
https://www.southampton-city.ac.uk/school-leaver/information-for-schools-parents/
Andover College offers a number of subsidised passes on Campus buses, Stagecoach buses and South Western Railway. The annual cost is variable dependent upon your preferred travel choice, however all passes are payable in ten affordable interest free monthly instalments, if you apply before the start of term. You may also be able to apply for assistance with cost from the bursary fund if you live over three miles from the College.

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<td><strong>Stagecoach Megarider:</strong> Routes in Andover Town Centre only, operated by Stagecoach</td>
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<td><strong>South West Trains:</strong> Winchester, Basingstoke, Whitchurch, Overton, Salisbury and Grateley</td>
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**College Direct Service:**

If you require travel to Andover College and there is no public service from your area to get you to the college it may be possible for the college to subsidise a Campus service from your area. This will be dependant on student numbers and financial viability. It is important to register your interest when you complete your online registration forms for the college. Areas previously covered include: The Wallops, The Winterbournes, Pewsey, Broughton and Upavon.

**Students travelling from Tidworth, Ludgershall or Chute:**

For students residing in the Ludgershall, Tidworth or Chute areas Wiltshire Council are able to provide a subsidised travel pass. If your annual household income for the tax year ending April 2020 was under £20,819 you may be able to obtain a pass via Wiltshire Council for £266. For further information please contact Wiltshire Council on 01225 713365.

**Special Educational Needs Travel – Hampshire Students:**

For further details, review the Post-16 Transport Policy Statement here [https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schooltransport/parent-carer/application-process/post-16-provision](https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schooltransport/parent-carer/application-process/post-16-provision)

**How do I know what pass to order?**

For independent travel information please visit [www.travelinesw.com](http://www.travelinesw.com)

Alternatively, if you know your local provider please see the following websites or telephone for timetable information:
BARTON PEVERIL COLLEGE, EASTLEIGH

The College are committed to enabling students who want to study at Barton Peveril to travel there easily. Those who can safely and easily walk to College are encouraged to do so. For those who cannot there are other options.

Cycling: Cycling: The College provide cycle bays free of charge for students wishing to cycle to College. Bicycles are left at the student’s own risk and must be secured at all times.

The cycle bays can be accessed with your student ID card. Requests for student ID cards to be updated to allow cycle locker access must be sent to cycle@barton.ac.uk.

Mopeds and motorcycles: There are bays on the college site available free of charge.

Driving: If you do not live on one of the college bus routes and are thinking about driving to college you should be aware that there is no on-site parking for students and there are parking restrictions in operation on roads adjacent to the college campus. Students are expected to park in accordance with the relevant parking regulations and be considerate of the neighbours.

Bus Travel: Details of the bus routes that serve Barton Peveril College can be found via the Getting Here section of college website www.barton-peveril.ac.uk

Trains: Barton Peveril is serviced by good rail links via Southampton Airport Parkway and Eastleigh railway stations, both of which are a 20 minute walk away. Students are responsible for making their own arrangements for train travel.

The new 16-17 Saver Railcard offers 50% off most rail fares for anyone aged 16 and 17 years old.

Useful links:

- South West Trains
- The Trainline.com
- National Rail

BASINGSTOKE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

BCoT offer discounted travel packages and bursaries to their full-time students, which can be paid monthly, termly or annually. Students who live outside of Basingstoke and travel to and from college by train can receive a discount on their train tickets; whereas if you travel by bus from Zone 2 areas outside Basingstoke, their partnership with Stagecoach means you could qualify for as much as 25% off bus travel.

Visit BCoT’s website to apply for financial and travel support: www.bcot.ac.uk/information/support-for-students
If you wish to cycle to college, there is plenty of space for you to park your bike. Whilst there is car parking available at the college, this is strictly limited to students living outside of the Basingstoke area. If you live in Basingstoke, parking is only available to full time students aged 19 or over. Please note car parking charges apply.

A park and ride service is available from the Leisure Park at a discounted rate for BCoT students.

*Link to the college website: [www.bcot.ac.uk/information/getting-here](http://www.bcot.ac.uk/information/getting-here)*

**BROCKENHURST COLLEGE**

Brockenhurst College is easily accessible by train or via their extensive college bus network. Rail and bus passes can be purchased through the online BrockShop Instalment plans are available for annual or termly passes at no extra cost.

**Travelling by bus:**

Their extensive bus network affords travel to Brockenhurst from Lymington, Christchurch, Wimborne, Salisbury, Ringwood, Fordingbridge, Totton and the Waterside plus numerous towns and villages in between. The Ringwood area is services by an additional lunchtime bus (C16).

The bus provision for the 2018/19 academic year will be fulfilled by Go South Coast (GSC) with all college bus passes valid for travel on the Blue Star 6, 8 & 9 services and the More Bus X1/X2, X3 & X6 services from 07/09/2018. For further details please email: travel@brock.ac.uk

Brockenhurst services are registered with single and return fares available on all buses (£2.00 flat fare for C16). Passengers must have either an official College pass or a temporary pass (available from the BrockShop during opening hours) when travelling on college services. If they have neither, users will be asked to pay the standard fare for that service (payable to the driver) or to arrange alternative transport.

**Travelling by train:**

2018/19 rail passes are available to purchase from the BrockShop

Termly academic season passes from all stations within the South Western Rail network can be made available with pricing on a station by station basis. The validity of academic season passes has been extended for 2018/19 to include evening, weekend and half-term rail travel.

**Travelling by car:**

Parking permits for the student car park cost just £45.00 (£16.00 for bikes) and are available for purchase via the Brock Shop

Students must certify that they are in possession of valid insurance and MOT documents.

A one-way system is in place – all drivers must enter the site via the main college entrance and leave via North Road.

*Link to the college website: [www.brock.ac.uk/sixth-form/travelling-to-brock](http://www.brock.ac.uk/sixth-form/travelling-to-brock)*
EASTLEIGH COLLEGE

Eastleigh College students aged 24 years and under can buy a discounted travel pass. Contact the student Finance team on 02380 648743 or visit the Student Finance Office to buy a pass.

Please contact the travel company directly if you have any queries relating to route numbers or travel times.

If you are aged 16-19 years, you may be eligible for subsidised or fully funded travel. Please visit the college website for more information or to apply.

Eastleigh College’s website provides very detailed information regarding the routes and prices and can be found here: www.eastleigh.ac.uk/student-support/bus-and-train-travel

FAREHAM COLLEGE

The Bishopsfield Road, CEMAST and CETC campuses are easily accessible from a range of locations across the area and there are great transport links to make your journey to college as quick and straightforward as possible.

The college is located just off The Avenue (A27) in central Fareham on Bishopsfield Road. It is close to the M27 if travelling by car. Fareham train station is just a five-minute walk away and the bus station is a 20 minute walk from the college.

CEMAST and CETC are located on the Daedalus Airfield on the B3385 to Lee-on-the-Solent.

Buses:

The campuses are easily accessible via bus and if you have a bus pass you will be able to use it throughout the entire First Bus network.

Subsidised Bus Travel Scheme: The Fareham College Bus Travel Scheme has been developed to help full time students with the additional costs of travelling to and from college. The college offers bus passes at subsidised rates which cover the cost of travel for the whole college year.

https://www.fareham.ac.uk/getting-here/

Trains:

Fareham Railway Station is approximately five minutes’ walk from the Fareham College campus. Regular bus services also run from Fareham Railway Station to CEMAST.

Cycling:

The campuses are accessible via cycle paths. Secure, covered cycle racks are also available. You will be offered free cycle wear if you sign up as a regular cycle user.

Parking:

Parking, including motorbike parking and dedicated disabled parking, is available at the campuses and you can apply for a parking permit if you are planning on driving to college. Parking is limited however, so you are encouraged wherever possible to use public transport.
Fareham College’s website provides further details on transport including subsidised bus pass options:

https://www.fareham.ac.uk/bus-passes/
https://www.fareham.ac.uk/getting-here/

FARNBOROUGH COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Farnborough College of Technology students travel in easily from a wide surrounding area. All full-time students can buy season tickets for bus and rail travel at reduced prices.

Unirider Bus Pass:

Full time students are able to buy a ‘Unirider’ bus pass from Stagecoach for less than standard season tickets. The ticket allows travel across Hampshire, Surrey and Berkshire throughout the college year. For Farnborough students the total cost for the year is £412 (2018/19).

You can buy your Unirider Bus Pass online at www.stagecoachbus.com under ‘Student Tickets’.

If your pass is funded by a bursary, a member of the Learner Services team will issue the pass and you can collect it from the Learner Services Office (based in The Hub). If you have any questions about using your pass, you can contact the Stagecoach Smart Card Helpline on 0345 810 1000.

South West Trains Academic Season Pass:

South West Trains offer reduced ticket prices to all full time students who purchase an Academic Season Pass through the college. These passes cost 15% less than you would pay for a full season ticket and are valid Monday – Friday during term time.

These passes must be purchased from the college and are issued on a termly basis. Pricing is based on a zonal system set out by South Western Railway. If you are a student receiving a bursary your pass may be fully funded or you may have to contribute towards the cost depending on your location and funding requests.

You can buy your South West Trains Academic Season Pass online, from the 1st August 2018 through the College Store at: http://estore.farn-ct.ac.uk/.

For further information, please call the Learner Services team on either 01252 407394 or 01252 407313, or email support@farn-ct.ac.uk, or visit the Learner Services Office (based in The Hub).

Students living in Surrey:

Surrey County Council issues Student Fare Cards offering travel on buses or trains at reduced rates for journeys to and from college for students living in Surrey. Student Fare Cards are delivered to the college and will be available for collection from the Learner Services Office (based in The Hub) once they have arrived. To apply, visit the Surrey County Council website here.

Walking and Cycling:

Walking and cycling are good for your health and the environment. We have a number of cycle racks for you to lock your bike to at both our Farnborough and Aldershot sites and there are plenty of cycle and foot paths in the area. Visit https://myjourneyhampshire.com to plan your route.
**Travel by bus:**
A number of bus routes serve Farnborough and Aldershot – visit [www.traveline.info](http://www.traveline.info) to find out which routes are available to you.

**Travel by Train:**
Farnborough is easily reached thanks to three stations within walking distance; Farnborough Main, Farnborough North, and North Camp. Both the main line between Southampton and London and the branch line between Guildford and Reading serve Farnborough.

Aldershot Railway Station is on the line between Alton and London, as well as Guildford and Alton. A regular bus route from the station stops at Ash Road, which is approximately a ten-minute walk from the college. Visit [https://www.southwesttrains.co.uk](https://www.southwesttrains.co.uk) for more information.

**Travel by car:**
For the Farnborough site, SatNav users should enter GU14 7AA as their destination. This will take you to the Visitor Car Park.

For the Aldershot site, SatNav users should enter GU12 4PQ as their destination or follow signs for the college once in the North Town area.

Car Parking is available at both the Farnborough and Aldershot sites and is free of charge to all students.

*For more information, please visit Farnborough College of Technology’s website: [www.farn-ct.ac.uk/college-life/travel](http://www.farn-ct.ac.uk/college-life/travel)*

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**THE SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, FARNBOROUGH**

There are several transport options to get to college. Some providers offer special rates for students travelling by bus or train. The college website gives information about the most popular routes, but it is important that you research your proposed route to ensure that you get the best value. Please contact Student Services on 01252 551229 for more information.

Transport application forms are available from Student Services.

**Travel by bus:**
Stagecoach bus passes are available at a discounted rate. They can also be used outside of college hours and in the holidays. You can buy your pass online [here](http://www.southwesttrains.co.uk) using the following steps:

- Buy your ticket online
- Select ‘Student Tickets’ from the menu options
- Select either of the ‘Farnborough 6th Form’ ticket options from the list
When ordering you will need to have your college ID number to hand (your log in will be the last 5 digits).

Information about routes and prices is available here.

**Travel by train:**

College is well served for travel by rail with three stations within walking distance; Farnborough Main, Farnborough North and Frimley.

Tickets purchased will be for the designated route and can only be used during term time. Train tickets can be purchased through Student Services.

For more information about the routes and prices click here.

The Department of Transport have launched a new discount scheme which gives a 50% discount on rail travel for 16 and 17 year olds. The pass costs £30 and can be purchased from www.savercard.co.uk

**Student Fare Card Scheme (for students who travel from Surrey):**

Offered to full-time students aged between 16-18 living in one of the 11 boroughs/districts of Surrey, this Surrey County Council scheme allows travel on buses or trains at reduced rates to and from college. The cost of the Student Fare Card is £25 and is valid from 1 September until the end of the following August. For more information and to apply, please visit the Surrey CC website

**For more information, please visit The Sixth Form College, Farnborough’s website:** https://farnborough.ac.uk/lifefarnborough-traveltocollege

**HSDC (Havant, South Downs & Alton Campus)**

The College recognises travel costs should not be a barrier to engagement in education and as such offers a Travel and Financial Assistance Scheme to support students cover their cost of public transport.

HSDC work closely with Stagecoach and First Group bus companies to provide discounted priced bus passes for all students (regardless of household income) and as many direct routes to college as possible. HSDC also work with South Western Railway, so that they can offer discounted rail passes.

The Travel and Financial Assistance Scheme is designed to provide support to all full and part time students aged 16+ where a genuine need for assistance has been demonstrated.

**The following information details how to order your bus / train pass (for those in receipt of college financial support):**

**Bus passes:** The college will pay for a student’s bus pass if the student lives 0.5 miles from the college campus and is studying a full time course (not including Higher Education courses), and
either the student or the parent/carer is in receipt of an income based benefit. For a list of the benefits we accept, please see our website.

There will be no additional cost to pay once the college has seen and approved the evidence of your benefit (unless you choose to upgrade the bus pass to use in other areas, then this additional cost must be paid by you).

**Train passes:** Students who wish to use the train to travel to college and who would normally be entitled to a college funded bus pass (in receipt of an income-based benefit) may have the equivalent value of the bus pass (for their area) deducted from the termly train pass. The remaining cost of the train pass (if necessary) would need to be paid by the student before collecting the pass.

To view the eligibility criteria and to find out how to order your bus / train pass then please visit the college’s website here: [www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/ordering-your-bus-pass-with-financial-support/](http://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/ordering-your-bus-pass-with-financial-support/)

**The following information details how to order your bus / train pass (for those without college financial support):**

**Bus passes:** All full-time students are eligible to purchase an online discounted student bus pass via the First Bus App (on the student’s smartphone) and Stagecoach website. The student pass will allow you to travel for a much cheaper cost compared to standard priced fares. Additional financial help (a partial refund) towards online bus passes may be available to full-time students (not including Higher Education courses) who are aged 16 – 19 and live in certain postcode areas and are still enrolled on their course of study by the February half term. This is called a ‘Travel Subsidy’; if you are eligible for this, the college will contact you near the end of the Autumn Term.

**Train passes:** Full-time students who wish to travel by train, may apply for a termly rail pass via the college. The train pass will be at a discounted rate (compared to standard priced fares).

The Department of Transport have also launched a discount railcard for 16-17 year olds. The railcard costs £30 and gives students 50% off rail fares. HSDC would strongly encourage students to investigate this scheme before purchasing a college train pass as this may be the cheaper option for you. For more information on the 16-17 railcard, please visit: [https://www.16-17saver.co.uk/](https://www.16-17saver.co.uk/)

For further information including how to order your bus / train pass then please visit the college’s website here: [https://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/ordering-your-bus-pass-without-financial-support/](http://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/ordering-your-bus-pass-without-financial-support/)

**Routes and timetables:** The college works closely with local transport providers to ensure their students can easily get to college. For travel routes and timetables then please visit the college’s website here: [https://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/travel-routes-and-timetables/](http://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/travel-routes-and-timetables/)

**Car parking:** There is free on site parking for students who wish to drive to college.

For more information please visit the Havant and South Downs College website: [https://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/](http://www.hsdc.ac.uk/life-at-hsdc/finance-and-travel-support/student-travel/) Or send an email to:

**Alton Campus:** travelandsupport@alton.hsdc.ac.uk
**Havant and South Downs Campus:** travelandsupport@hsdc.ac.uk
Peter Symonds College is situated in the heart of Winchester. It is five minutes walk from the rail station and 20 minutes walk from the bus station. Many buses arrive either in college or at the rail station for the convenience of students. **Please note there is no onsite car parking for students.**

Students with disabilities or mobility issues may apply for a permit to park onsite. Application forms are available from Student Services and applications must be supported by a consultant’s letter.

**Buses**

College does not operate "school buses" of its own. Instead students are expected to use publicly operated bus services. Several companies currently serve routes to college, many of which arrive on site in line with lesson times.

**Stagecoach**

The Peter Symonds College Unirider can be purchased online directly from Stagecoach or from Winchester Bus Station. Follow the links below for further information.

- [2019/2020 Timetable](#)

**Stagecoach Peter Symonds College Pass**

- Apply [here](#) for a Stagecoach Peter Symonds College Unirider (Autumn term pass available from beginning of August 2020)

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Winchester Megarider Bus Passes (Local Journeys)

- Apply [here](#) for a Winchester Megarider

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**Bluestar**
The Bluestar 1 runs up to every 15 minutes from Southampton via Bassett Avenue, Chandler's Ford and Otterbourne to Winchester City Centre, with some of the morning journeys conveniently also running via Winchester train station, which is just a short walk from the College. All other journeys serve Jewry Street and stop outside the Discovery Centre/Theatre Royal, which isn't much further away!

You can buy your Autumn term bus ticket on your phone! All you have to do is download the mobile app - Clickit2ride - which is available on iOS and Android devices.

If you wish to buy an annual bus ticket Register for theKey here

Once registered, visit the bluestar travel shop in Southampton to purchase the annual ticket.

Please bring confirmation of your attendance with you.

Prices below are for 2020/21

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Travelling by Train

The Government has launched the new 16-17 Saver, which gives you a 50% discount on rail fares, including season tickets.

You can buy your 16-17 Saver at www.16-17saver.co.uk. It costs £30 and is valid for one year or until your 18th birthday, whichever comes first. However, if you buy a Season ticket before your 16-17 Saver expires, you can keep using the season ticket for up to four months after the expiry of the Saver.

You can choose whether you buy daily tickets, weekly tickets, or a season ticket for a full half term or term, but the greatest savings will be made on tickets that are valid for the longest period.

**To buy a season ticket with your 16-17 Saver:**

Go to South Western Railway’s website: www.southwesternrailway.com

Select **Train Tickets** from the menu at the top of the page, and **Season Tickets** from the drop down menu. Select **Buy a Season Ticket**.

You can now enter the dates you would like the ticket to be valid from and to. When you tick the **Railcards** box, a drop down option will appear and you can select **16-17 Saver**. The 50% discount will then be applied to the ticket.

You will need to carry your 16-17 Saver, or your digital saver app on your phone alongside your season ticket.

Once you turn 18, Scholar season tickets can be purchased through the College each term. Either online through the College shop or at Student Services. These tickets represent a 34% discount off standard season prices.
QUEEN MARY’S COLLEGE, BASINGSTOKE

Queen Mary’s College have a Green Travel Plan which commits them to cutting down car use to the site as much as possible - both for the benefit of the neighbourhood and to reduce the College’s impact on the wider environment. When thinking about travel to college please remember to look for the most environmentally friendly form of transport.

Walking and Cycling:
If you live within Basingstoke consider walking (walking directions) or cycling to College. These methods of travel are cheap, keep you fit and are good for the environment. There are many safe walking and cycle routes in to College and ample covered and guarded cycle parking is available at the College.

If you are being given a lift to College you must use the turning circle and drop off point at the far end of Cliddesden Road. Please be considerate to the neighbours and do not park in neighbouring streets or block driveways.

Public Transport: The college is approximately 20 minutes walk from train and bus stations.

**Train:** If you are aged 16 or 17 you can now enjoy 50% off standard Anytime, Off-Peak, Advance and Season tickets, helping you save money on travel to college, trips into town, days out to the coast, or weekend festivals. Please follow the link for further information on the 16-17 Saver. [https://www.16-17saver.co.uk](https://www.16-17saver.co.uk)

If you are 18 years and over, SWR offer an Educational Scholars Termly Pass which allows travel between stations in a wide area bordered by Redbridge in the south west, Salisbury in the west, Reading in the north, Woking in the north east, Guildford in the east and Portsmouth in the south. Note that the full termly price is still payable if the student starts or leaves part way through a term. The pass is valid between the home station and Basingstoke, anytime and any day during term time, including the half term break. Applications are through the college so please contact QMC Help Desk on 01256 417500 for further information.

**Stagecoach Bus:** Stagecoach bus services are available on most routes to College. You can purchase your Stagecoach bus pass online.

**College Bus:** QMC currently operate College buses from the Andover, Burghfield, Fleet, Hook (including Odiham/North Warnborough), Newbury, and Whitchurch/Overton areas. We are also introducing a new service direct to College from North Waltham, Hatch Warren and Kempshott. There have been pick up time changes on some routes for 2020/2021. Please check our route timetable link or contact the Help Desk on 01256 417500 for further information.

**COLLEGE BUS PASSES ONLY £475 FOR SEPTEMBER 2020**
There is an opportunity to pay in instalments:
£275 cheque/cash/card (prior to or at enrolment) with a completed Direct Debit instruction. Direct
Debits will be set up for two payments, each of £100, for October and November. **Please remember that you commit to one full year and payments are NOT refundable for part use of a College bus pass.**

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**Driving and Parking:**

Parking spaces at College are limited and priority is given to students who:
- Have completed at least one full year at the college
- Need to use their own transport for reasons of disability
- Live outside a five mile radius from the college (as the crow flies)
- Live in an area where access to public transport is poor
- Have attendance greater than 85%
- Have paid their course fees

If you wish to apply for a parking permit an application form is available from the Help Desk. Each application will be considered on its merits and special cases will be viewed sympathetically. Please note that being issued a permit does not guarantee the availability of a parking space. If you are issued a permit to park you will need to pay a fee. Please contact the Help Desk for further information. [You can find driving directions here.](#)

If you have any queries about travel then please contact the College Help Desk, or call them on 01256 417500.

For more information please visit Queen Mary’s College’s website here: [https://www.qmc.ac.uk/student-life/travelling-qmc](https://www.qmc.ac.uk/student-life/travelling-qmc)

**RICHARD TAUNTON SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, SOUTHAMPTON**

Situated in the heart of Southampton, their extensive network of bus routes, combined with their close location to Southampton train station and local cycle and walking routes, make the college
extremely accessible. For a detailed route planner from your home address (including bus and train times) please use Traveline or MyJourney Southampton.

**Bus routes:** There is an extensive network of bus routes covering the wide area surrounding the College. The College’s website provides detailed bus information based on your location and school: http://www.richardtaunton.ac.uk/about-us/transport/

**Train:** Southampton Central is the nearest train station to the College, with direct routes from Totton, Eastleigh, Romsey and Winchester. For more information about getting to college by train, use Traveline’s Journey Planner. From the train station, students can catch either the First Bus 40 or the Xelabus X11 to college. Alternatively, the college is a 30 minute walk from the station.

**Walk:** Richard Taunton is easily accessible by walking. They are a 10-15 minute walk from Southampton Common and Shirley High Street, and a 30 minute walk from Southampton Central train station. The College encourage students to keep active by walking to college and helping the environment.

**Cycle:** Cycling is a popular form of transport to and from college. The College have a secure bike compound to store bikes, plus showers and changing facilities located in the Sports department.

**Car:** The College are easily accessible by car and have 155 parking spaces available to students at a cost of £20 (non-refundable) for the duration of their time at college. Whilst the college is conveniently located for parking, we must be respectful to our neighbours and encourage parking within the college to reduce street congestion.

**Travelling form the Isle of Wight:** The College offer a free shuttle service for students catching the ferry from the Isle of Wight. In the morning, students catch the 7.45am ferry and are picked up by our bus at 8.05am to get to college for 8.20am (lessons start at 8.30am). Students then board the 4.10pm college bus to catch the 4.45pm ferry back to the island. The College also offer help with travel costs for students coming from the Isle of Wight, please call Student Services on 02380 514720 for more information. This service is by prior arrangement only and eligible students will need a bus pass to use this service, issued by Student Services. Please note all times are approximate depending on weather and traffic conditions. For further information, visit the Red Funnel website here.

If you have any queries about travelling to college, please call their travel experts in Students Services on 02380 514720.

*For more information please visit Richard Taunton Sixth Form College’s website here: http://www.richardtaunton.ac.uk/about-us/transport/

**SPARSHOLT COLLEGE**

Students travel to Sparsholt College from all over the region, so they aim to make the journey as easy and cost effective as possible. Whether you’re getting the train from Southampton, Eastleigh, Totton or Basingstoke or the bus from across Hampshire and the county borders, we’ll help you find the best way to get into College.
Please check the map and route listings on the College’s website for your nearest location and price details. If you need further information please contact the College’s transport team on 01962 797346 or transport@sparsholt.ac.uk. If you prefer to bring your car to College, student parking is available onsite.

Please see the College’s website for transport payment information.

**Campus Direct Buses:** All students are expected to adhere to the College’s Student Code of Conduct when using the Campus Bus Service. Find out more here.

**Public Transport:** The College offer a range of passes which enable you to pay for your public travel effectively:

- **Combined Rail and Bus Pass:** This pass includes rail travel to Winchester from various locations, plus a Stagecoach pass to get you from Winchester to the College on the hourly Number 7 bus service (valid during term time only and excluding weekends). Please see the College’s website for more information. If Stagecoach operates in your area and you would like a Stagecoach bus pass to get you from home to the train station, you may upgrade to a Stagecoach Megarider pass for an additional £375. For more information about Stagecoach services please visit their website.

- **Megarider Gold:** This pass can be used on any Stagecoach bus in Hampshire during the academic year, including weekends and holidays. This is the most cost-effective pass for students travelling from Andover. Please see the College’s website for pricing information.

- **Number 7 Stagecoach Bus Pass:** If you live in the Winchester area and only need to catch the No 7 bus, you can buy a Stagecoach bus pass for just this service. Please see the College’s website for pricing information.

For more information please visit Sparsholt College’s website here: [https://www.sparsholt.ac.uk/the-college/transport/](https://www.sparsholt.ac.uk/the-college/transport/)

**ST VINCENT SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**College Bus Service:** Students enrolling with the College in September will benefit from a range of bus travel options which complement their new 9:30am timetable. The Eclipse express service from Fareham provides quick and easy travel to the College for students attending Cams Hill, Fareham Academy, Bridgemary and Brune Park Schools. First Hampshire also run regular services for the catchment areas of Bay House, Brookfield and Crofton Schools with stops close to the College.

Applications to purchase a bus pass are sent to all applicants in June along with information about costs. The cost of the bus pass can be covered by the College for students eligible for Financial Support, please see the College’s website for more information.

The pass provided can be used on any college bus service as well as all local First Hampshire bus routes, including the Eclipse service and will provide students with a safe and efficient way of travelling to and from college. The College will provide a morning and end of the day service every day of the college week. Please see the College’s website for bus timetable information.

**Travel by ferry:** St Vincent is handily placed for the Gosport Ferry so students from Portsmouth can consider St Vincent as their accessible sixth form college option. Refunded ferry costs are available (reviewed termly) as well as a discounted week-day bus pass for the whole year.
Car, motorcycle and bikes: St Vincent has extensive car and motorcycle parking facilities and secure cycle storage facilities onsite which are accessible to all students every day. There is no charge for car or motorcycle parking and the College is easily accessible from Gosport, Fareham and their surrounding areas.

Further information about the financial support we can offer to students to support travel costs for bus and ferry tickets can be found on our website www.stvincent.ac.uk/financial-support/. Alternatively you can email infor@stvincent.ac.uk or phone 02392 588311.

Students can use any FirstBus Hampshire Services including the E1 or E2 services.

For more information please visit St Vincent Sixth Form College's website here: http://www.stvincent.ac.uk/travel-to-st-vinent

TOTTON COLLEGE

Help with the cost of travel: Depending on your age, you may be eligible for help with the cost of travel and books. Bursaries are available for under 19-year-olds and offer various levels of financial support. If you’d like more information, email the college for a form and advice on how to apply, as well as deadlines you will need to meet.

Link to college website: https://www.totton.ac.uk/

Out of County College information

CHICHESTER COLLEGE

Buses: Stagecoach is offering a 7 day student Megarider gold ticket to allow unlimited bus travel on their bus services within West Sussex including routes to Brighton, Hampshire and Surrey. For more information or to book your ticket online please visit Stagecoach’s website.

Trains: If your journey to Chichester or Brinsbury campus begins at Billingshurst, Shoreham-by-sea or Chichester, or any of the stations inbetween, you can purchase a 7 day Unizone ticket. A Unizone ticket entitles you to 7 days unlimited travel (within the destinations listed above).

To purchase the Unizone ticket you will need both a 16-25 Railcard and a student card. Your student card will be given to you when you enrol. You will need to apply online at www.16-25railcard.co.uk for your 16-25 railcard. If you are over the age of 25 you can also apply for the 16-25 railcard. You will need to upload and complete the Mature Student Declaration available on the 16-25 railcard website.

If your journey to Chichester or Brinsbury campus begins at Horley or Ockley, or any of the stations inbetween, you will be entitled to a 34% discount. Tickets are purchased from Southern Railway’s website www.southernrailway.com.

This will be subject to the following conditions:

- You must be a full time student
- You must have obtained a free ‘Sussex Student Card’ (visit www.westsussex.gov.uk/schooltransport)
- You must purchase your ticket for a minimum of one month
Your discount will only be valid for stations that are not covered by the Worthing and Billinghurst Unizone.

For more information please visit Chichester College’s website here: https://chichester.ac.uk/content/financial-help-16-18-years

GUILDFORD COLLEGE & MERRIST WOOD COLLEGE

Guildford College:

Guildford College encourages students to use alternative modes of transport other than cars. By doing this they are aiming to reduce the amount of traffic as well as promoting a healthy lifestyle and living environment.

Travelling by bike: Cycle racks are located outside the main building at the College. Students travelling to the College by bicycle from local areas can plan their route by visiting Guildford Borough Council’s website: www.guildford.gov.uk

Motorbike spaces are also available in the car park at the College.

Travelling by car: The College is easy to reach by road and can be reached via several routes, including the A3 and A31. There is a student car park on-site, which provides free parking. You must apply for a parking permit and display it at all times; otherwise you may incur a penalty charge.

Visitor parking is available outside the main entrance to the College, but all visitors must check in via Reception, to avoid incurring a penalty charge.

Parking Locally: The majority of the roads locally have restricted parking. Alternative parking is available at the Spectrum Leisure Centre (free parking) or the Lido, at a charge of £5 per day.

Park and Ride Facilities: There are several park and ride facilities in the Guildford area with services operating quite regularly (every few minutes). The park and ride buses drop passengers off at the Friary shopping centre. Sites around Guildford include:

- The Spectrum
- Merrow
- Artington
- The large car park at the rear of Guildford main line railway station.

The earliest buses start at about 7:30am and the latest bus (which runs to the Spectrum) is at 11:10pm. Full details are available on the Surrey County Council website: www.surreycc.gov.uk

Travelling by bus: The number 3 Arriva bus ‘Guildford – Bellfields Estate’ departs every 15-20 minutes from the Friary Bus Station in Woodbridge Road and takes just 5 minutes to get to Guildford College. Buses run to the Guildford Friary Bus Station from all local areas. Visit: www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/buses-and-trains for more information and bus timetables.

Travelling by train: Trains for Guildford College stop at London Road Station, which is a five minute walk and the main Guildford Station, a 20 minute walk away.
Students can travel by bus to the College from the main Guildford Station. Please see the College’s website for average times for trains running from the local area.

Visit www.nationalrail.co.uk or www.trainlie.com for more information and train times.

Student train and bus fare cards: Young people studying at Guildford College can apply for a Student Fare Card. These cost £25 and entitle you to a third off travel on trains and half price travel on buses if you live in Surrey (excluding London Boroughs). For further information please visit www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport

If you are aged 16-25 and travelling by train, you may benefit from the Young Persons Rail Card by National Rail. Find out more about this card at www.16-25railcard.co.uk.

If you are aged 16-17 and travelling by train, you may benefit from the 16-17 Saver Card by National Rail. Find out more information about this card at https://www.16-17saver.co.uk/.

For more information please visit Guildford College’s website here: https://www.guildford.ac.uk/1618/Support/TravelTransport.aspx

Merrist Wood College

Merrist Wood College tries to encourage students to use alternative modes of transport. By doing this they are aiming to reduce the amount of traffic as well as promoting a healthy lifestyle and living environment.

By car: At Merrist Wood College, the car park is located at the back of the Harris Centre. Motor bike spaces and cycle racks are also provided. In order for students to park on the campus, you must register your car details with Student Services.

By bike: We have 3 new covered cycle shelters, one in the machinery car park, one in student overflow car park behind Harris Centre and one behind Merrist Wood House. Motorbike spaces are also available at the College.

By bus:

From Guildford: Friary Bus Station, catch the number 20 bus (Kite) to Aldershot via Fairlands Estate.

From Woking: Catch the number 34 or 35 bus (both Arriva) to the Guildford Friary Bus Station and then get the number 20 bus (Kite) to Aldershot, getting off at Fairlands Estate.

From Camberley: Catch the number 3 bus (Stagecoach) to Ash, then the number 20 bus (Kite) to Guildford, getting off at Fairlands Estate.
**From Godalming:** Catch the number 70 or 71 bus (both Stagecoach) to Guildford Friary Bus Station and then catch the number 20 bus (Kite) to Aldershot, getting off at Fairlands Estate.

**From Farnborough:** Catch the number 1 bus (Stagecoach) to Aldershot Bus Station and then the number 20 bus (Kite) to Guildford, getting off at Fairlands Estate.

For latest news about bus services or discount travel schemes in the area visit www.surreycc.gov.uk/buses or for help planning your journey visit: http://journeys.travelsmartsurrey.info/

By train: Although there is a train station in Worplesdon it is easier to travel to Merrist Wood from the main Guildford station. From here students can either catch the number 20 public bus that runs from Guildford bus station (see bus information above). Train contact details:

National Rail Enquiries, Tel: 08457 48 49 50
Visit www.nationalrail.co.uk or www.thetrainline.com. See also www.mytrainticket.co.uk

**Student train and bus fare cards:** Young people studying at Guildford College/Farnham College/Merrist Wood College and living in Surrey (excluding London Boroughs) can apply for a Student Fare Card. These cost £25 and entitle you to a third off travel on trains and to travel on Surrey buses for the under 16s fare on single and return tickets only. For further information please visit https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/transport/16-plus/apply

If you are aged 16-25 and travelling by train, you may benefit from the Young Persons Rail Card by National Rail. Find out more about this card at www.16-25railcard.co.uk

If you are aged 16-17 and travelling by train, you may benefit from the 16-17 Saver Card by National Rail. Find out more information about this card at https://www.16-17saver.co.uk/

**Stagecoach Unirider** : The Guildford College Group has joined forces with Stagecoach who are offering subsidised Bus Fare Cards. Cards can be bought on a termly or annual basis. See www.buymyunirider.com for further information.

*For more information please visit Merrist Wood College’s website:*
https://www.merristwood.ac.uk/1618/Support/TravelTransport.aspx

**Highbury College, Portsmouth**
Bus passes: Highbury College can provide Stagecoach or First Provincial bus passes at a discounted price. To order one, fill in an application form from Student Support Services. You will need a passport-size photograph and a £5 deposit when applying.

First bus passes are available in half-terms or full-terms and cost from £111 for a full term of travel within the Portsmouth Zone 3 area. An All Zones pass, which allows the holder to travel on First buses throughout Hampshire, is available from £160 for a full term. These passes are valid Monday to Friday during the term. First Annual Bus Pass is also available, more information can be found on the Bus Pass Order Form.

Stagecoach bus passes are available in half terms and full terms. Portsmouth Megarider pass is suitable for use around Portsmouth and costs £55.50 for half a term or the South Hants Megarider Plus is suitable for a wider area and costs £81 for half a term. All Stagecoach tickets are valid seven days a week.

For price list or to apply for / purchase a bus pass please visit the college’s website here: https://www.highbury.ac.uk/about/campus-locations/travel-support/

Rail passes: If there is no public transport available to you, Highbury College may help with the cost of rail fares. For more information please visit the college’s website here: https://www.highbury.ac.uk/about/campus-locations/travel-support/

Travel support: Students with household incomes below £25,000 may be eligible for help with college-related costs including transport such as bus pass, rail fares and travel expenses. For more information please visit the College’s website by clicking here or contact their Student Engagement Team on 02392 328954 / student.finance@highbury.ac.uk. Waged apprentices are not eligible. Please be aware that financial support schemes can be subject to government change.

For more information please visit Highbury College’s website here: https://www.highbury.ac.uk/about/campus-locations/travel-support/

NEWBURY COLLEGE

Newbury College provides students with free bus shuttle services between the College, Newbury Train Station and Thatcham. Buses run Monday to Friday during term-time only and students must present a valid Newbury College ID to use these services. For timetables please see the College’s website.

Other bus services stopping at Newbury College or the neighbouring Retail Park are available to students but are chargeable at all times. For details of buses departing Newbury College today please visit NextBuses.

For driving directions please see the College’s website.

Regular free and public bus services operate between Newbury Train Station/Bus Station and the College during term time. Both stations are approximately one mile from the College campus and buses take approximately 5 minutes.
PORTSMOUTH COLLEGE

Travel Grants: For students living more than two kilometres from College, a Travel Grant may be available, often in the form of subsidised bus pass. Additional support is available for students living on the IOW. For information on all forms of support for travel please visit the Student Services Help Desk. All travel payments are based on full attendance of your study programme. You can check how far you live from College by entering your postcode in the College’s distance checker http://web01.tpc.ac.uk/pca/distances/transportSupportCheck.

Bus Travel: The College has negotiated reduced bus charges with First Bus Group and Stagecoach for Termly 7 Day Passes. The cost of bus passes is further subsidised by the College if you live more than two (straight line) kilometres away and may be fully supported if you are eligible for a College Bursary. You can obtain your competitively priced bus pass for First Bus from the Student Services Desk in Room 15 or if a Stagecoach pass is required it can be purchased directly from their website. Current timetables and routes can be found online at First Group and Stagecoach.

The College also has its own dedicated services:

PC1 which runs from Portchester through Paulsgrove, Cosham, Hilsea and Stamshaw to the College. Arrival at College will be a little before the start of the first lesson of the day (9.55am) with the final journey shortly after the end of the last lesson of the day at 4:15pm.

PC2 runs from Gudge Heath Lane, Fareham through Highlands Road/Kiln Road, Fareham Leisure Centre and the Bus Station through to Portchester via Cams Hill and then directly to the College. Arrival at College will be a little before the start of the first lesson of the day (9.55am) with the final journey shortly after the end of the last lesson of the day at 4:15pm.

Users of PC1 & PC2 have access to the lunchtime service PC3 which runs in from Fareham Bus Station stopping at Portschester, Paulsgrove, Cosham and Hilsea to bring students in for the start of afternoon lessons and a return for those with only morning lessons. This service is not available to be purchased seperately to a PC1 or PC2 pass.

Current timetables and routes can be found online here.

STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN TRANSPORT COSTS UNTIL BUS PASSES ARRIVE.

Bike Scheme: The College Bike Scheme operates on completion of an application form, supplied together with proof of purchase of bicycle, lights, helmet and D-lock (or evidence that these are already owned) for refund to be made. There is no distance criteria to meet but students using the Bike Scheme are not eligible for other transport support.

Our Bike Scheme offers a subsidy of up to £120 on the purchase cost of a new bike.
Isle of Wight Students: Students travelling from the Isle of Wight are supported by a Travel Grant which can include a termly bus pass if they wish. Payments are made termly to nominated account to help with the cost of waterborne travel. For details of reduced cost academic passes for the ferry please visit the Wightlink website.

For more information please visit Portsmouth College’s website here: https://www.portsmouth-college.ac.uk/sixth-form/support-for-students/

SOUTHAMPTON CITY COLLEGE

City College’s main campus is located in the heart of Southampton so is easy to get to by public transport. Discounted bus tickets are available from First and Bluestar buses for Southampton City College students. If you are eligible for the City College Bursary Scheme your bus travel may be free.

Students living more than 2 miles walk from their college campus can apply for financial assistance towards their travel costs. We encourage the use of public transport so offer qualifying students an area bus pass or a financial contribution towards train/ferry/bus travel.

For more information please visit Southampton City College’s website here: https://www.southampton-city.ac.uk/school-leaver/information-for-schools-parents/
Appendix 1.

Criteria applied to determine eligibility to transport to a Post 16 provider.

1. The following criteria apply to all students:

**Necessity:** The Council will provide transport assistance when it is necessary to facilitate the student’s attendance at their educational setting.

**Minimum distance:** The journey from home to school/college must be more than three miles, measured by the nearest available walking route.

** Eligible but living within walking distance?** Transport may be provided within the walking distance if it is necessary to facilitate attendance. Factors that may be taken into account, include:

- The student’s ability to walk
- The student’s need to be accompanied by an adult.

**Which college or school?** Travel assistance will be given to the nearest school or college considered to be the most suitable placement for the student and which offers a course or programme which is designed specifically to meet the special needs of the student concerned. If the course or programme is not specifically designed to meet the needs of those with SEN, travel assistance will be given to the nearest college offering an appropriate course. A course is deemed appropriate where it enables a student to meet his or her career objectives.

A student attending their nearest special school or school with a sixth form named in his or her EHCP may qualify, subject to the other criteria detailed in this Appendix.

**Pick-up and drop-off points:** Where the distance between a nearest pick-up or drop-off point and home or college is less than 1.5 miles, HCC will not normally provide transport for that part of the journey. However, transport may be provided for students within these distances where this is recommended following an assessment of their individual needs. The criteria used to determine entitlement within walking distance apply in these circumstances.

**Journeys to and from other destinations:** Transport is not offered to or from points other than the college and home.

**Waiting Time:** where appropriate, the transport arrangement may include a waiting time at the start or end of the day.

**Residential Placements:** Some students with complex and/or severe needs are placed in a residential out of county special school or college because there is no appropriate provision available locally. Such students will receive transport at the start and end of each term, half term and at other school/college closures. Any additional transport will be the responsibility of parents/carers.

2. The following apply additionally to students aged 16 or 17 in September 2020:
(a) **Parental Assistance:** The Council expects that parents and carers take responsibility for facilitating their child’s attendance in education where they are able to do so. Families/Applicants may apply for transport and explain their circumstances which make support from HCC with transport necessary to enable their child to attend their place of education or training. All requests for transport will be considered on a case by case basis.

(b) **Charges:** If transport is provided by HCC, a parental contribution may be levied. When the student’s parents are in receipt of Income Support, income-based Jobseekers Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (provided you’re not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190), Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit, or Universal Credit, the charge will be waived. Families in receipt of free school meals (due to low income) are not required to pay the contribution.

Families with a low income, but not in receipt of the above benefits, where the imposition of the charge would reduce their income to around £16,190; or those with exceptional circumstances, may apply for a discretionary waiver or reduction in charge.

3. **The following apply to student’s aged 18** when the transport starts in September 2020 or already 18 at the time of application or 19 or over and continuing on a course that they started before their 19th birthday:

   a) **Parental assistance:** There will be no expectation that a parent will assist with their adult child’s transport arrangement, although parents who wish to do so will be welcome to support their adult child’s transport arrangement.

   b) **Charges:** If transport is provided by HCC, a parental contribution may be levied.

   When the student’s parents are in receipt of Income Support, income-based Jobseekers Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (provided you’re not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190), Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit, or Universal Credit, the charge will be waived. Families in receipt of free school meals (due to low income) are not required to pay the contribution.

   Families with a low income, but not in receipt of the above benefits, where the imposition of the charge would reduce their income to around £16,190; or those with exceptional circumstances, may apply for a discretionary waiver or reduction in charge.

4. **The following applies to students aged 19 or over and starting a new course:**
**Charges:** If transport is provided, no contribution towards the cost of transport applies.

**Appendix 2**

5. **Home to School Transport - Review/Appeals Process**

Parents and/or Young People who wish to challenge a decision about:

- the transport arrangements offered;
- their own or their child’s eligibility;
- the distance measurement in relation to minimum distances; and
- the safety of the route
- cost

may do so by writing to The Transport Team, Elizabeth II Court North (2nd Floor), Children’s Services Department, Hampshire County Council, The Castle, Winchester, Hampshire, SO23 8UG.

In the first instance a case will be reviewed by a Senior Officer of HCC.

In cases against refusal of a transport service, there is recourse to a further appeal to an Independent Appeal Panel.

For concerns about the transport arrangement offered, a senior officer outside of the School Transport Team and who holds a comprehensive understanding of the transport policy and legislative framework will make decisions on appeals.

The full Review/Appeals Process in relation to assistance with travel and eligibility is detailed within Hampshire County Council’s Home to School Transport Policy, a link to which is included below:

**Home to School Transport Policy**

The process by which Home to School Transport appeals are handled for a young person attending a Post-16 provision matches that detailed in this Policy.