

School Transport Information

Worcestershire County Council

2024-2025



Are you entitled to assistance with school transport?

- Are you a Worcestershire resident?
- Do you live over 3 miles from the school?
- Is this your designated or nearest school?
- Do you live on an unavailable walking route if under 3 miles from your designated or nearest school?
- Are you on low income (e.g. in receipt of Free School Meals)

Note – In shared catchment areas you are only entitled to the 'nearest school'

Note – You can request the walking route from your home to school is assessed if necessary

What if I am not entitled to transport assistance?

The County Council can sell:

- Local Bus Passes (Severn Cards) if you live on, or are near to a local bus route.
- Empty seats on our school coach services under our 'Vacant Seat Scheme' will be reviewed

in October Half Term 2024. ***Please do not contact the transport team until this date has passed (Your child will be added to a Waiting List and you will be contacted when a seat becomes available)***



How to Apply for assistance with school transport

- Visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooltransport

Online
Application
Form

Check eligibility

Check your eligibility for school and college travel assistance.

Designated school search

Find out your designated school by selecting the search by postcode option.

Apply for travel assistance

If you would like to apply for travel assistance to your school or college you will need to submit an application online.

Your application

What happens with an education travel application?

Learn what will happen with your education travel application.

Track an application

The School Transport Application Tracker enables you to view the latest updates on your school or college transport application online and at a time convenient to you.

Online
Application
Tracker

If you are not eligible for free travel assistance

Severn Card student bus pass scheme

If you are not eligible for free under 16 travel assistance or over 16 travel assistance, we may be able to offer you the option to buy a Severn Card.

Vacant seat payment scheme

If your child is not eligible, the vacant seat payment scheme can help children with transport.

Pay for your school or college travel assistance

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When an online Application is submitted you will receive an acknowledgement by email. This will enable you to track the progress of your application.

Apply Now for WCC School Transport

Use this QR Code to be directed immediately to the Worcestershire School Transport web page.

WCC recommend not delaying your applications to be sure in securing transport from the first day of term.



Things to Remember

- **Students should carry their bus passes at all times** – Worcestershire operates a “No Pass, No Travel” policy on school transport services to prevent abuse.
- Children must be at their required stop 5 minutes before departure
- Don't worry if you haven't received a bus pass by the start of term. There is a two week amnesty in September before “No Pass, No Travel” is implemented. You do not have to contact the team unless you are still without your bus pass post 16/09/2024
 - ***This does not apply to Local Bus services and all children must carry a bus pass from the start of term***



Things to Remember Cont.

- If you think that you have received the wrong bus pass or have a general transport query, please complete an enquiry form on our website at:
<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/school-and-college-travel/school-and-college-travel>
- Please submit your School Transport application as soon as possible and **no later than the end of the Summer Term**. We cannot guarantee that applications received after this time will be processed before the start of the Autumn Term.

