

# **DORSET POST-16 TRANSPORT SUPPORT POLICY**

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# 1 Post 16 Provision

The Education and Skills Act 2008, states that young people are required to stay in education, training or enter employment until they are 18.

When making decisions about which course, school or college to attend parents/students must consider:

- the different modes of transport available to them
- the timings for arrival and departure
- how much it will cost them?

There is no automatic entitlement to home to school or college transport once a student is over 16 even if free transport has been provided in the past.

Dorset Council is committed to supporting Young People in accessing Post 16 education and training and in addition have put the following provision in place to support this.

# 1.1 School Sixth Form Transport

All School Transport into Mainstream Dorset Schools that have 6<sup>th</sup> Form provision is provided by independent bus companies.

If you wish to purchase a seat on one of these services, you are required to contact the bus company directly. The availability and charges are at the discretion of the relevant bus companies.

| School                     | Contractor    | Contact Details                   |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| The Blandford School       | Go South      | 01202 338420                      |
| Ferndown Upper School      | Coast         | http://passes.gosouthcoast.co.uk/ |
| Queen Elizabeth School     | (operating as |                                   |
| Lytchett Minster School    | Morebus and   |                                   |
| The Purbeck School         | Damory)       |                                   |
| Shaftesbury School         |               |                                   |
| The Thomas Hardye School   |               |                                   |
| Allenbourn Middle School   |               |                                   |
| Dorchester Middle School   |               |                                   |
| Ferndown Middle School     |               |                                   |
| St Michaels Middle School  |               |                                   |
| West Moors Middle School   |               |                                   |
| Beaminster School          | First Wessex  | 01305 783645                      |
| The Sir John Colfox School |               | dorsetschools@firstgroup.com      |
| The Woodroffe School       |               |                                   |
|                            |               |                                   |



| Sturminster Newton School               | Vale Coaches                                | 01963 363000<br>valecoaches@gmail.com          |
|---|---|--|
| Gillingham School<br>The Gryphon School | South West<br>Coaches                       | 01935 475872<br>Schools@southwestcoaches.co.uk |
| Budmouth College                        | Public Services<br>provided by<br>First Bus | 0871 200 2233<br>www.firstgroup.com            |

# 1.2 Bursary Scheme

Each School and FE College has a Mandatory Post 16 Bursary (16-18) scheme. Eligibility for accessing these bursaries is managed by the individual schools. Some schools also provide other forms of support for Post 16 students to assist access to their place of learning.

Please contact the school or college directly for further information and charges. PLEASE SEE APENDIX A or B

There is also further information on the Bursary Scheme through the following website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide</a>

# 1.3 FE College Transport

Colleges have transport routes available to help students access their course. It is important to contact the college to find out what is available and apply to them directly as soon as possible to ensure that transport is available for the start of the course.

Those attending Post 16 FE provision may also apply for a seat under the Surplus Seat Travel Scheme, if there are routes that wholly or partially assist a young person in accessing their Post 16 place and they fulfil the criteria set out in Section 3. They may also qualify for further assistance under Section 2.

Contact the college to find out if there is any support available for transport from the 16-19 Bursary. **PLEASE SEE APPENDIX B** 

# 1.4 Apprenticeships and Traineeships

If a young person is looking to engage with an Apprenticeship or Traineeship, it is essential they talk to the Learning Provider who will be able to inform them of any transport assistance that may be available. Employers and Learning Providers should take into account a young



person's transport arrangements when planning any off the job training, particularly outside normal working hours. **PLEASE SEE APPENDIX B** 

If you are studying a traineeship you are also eligible for the 16-19 Bursary Scheme.

# 1.5 Public Transport

Some local public transport operators have concessionary fares/discount schemes for students.

| Transport<br>Operator       | Telephone     | Website                     | Special arrangements for students |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| First Great<br>Western      | 08457 000 125 | www.firstgreatwestern.co.uk | 16-25 railcard                    |
| Damory<br>/Morebus          | 01202 338420  | www.morebus.co.uk           | passes.gosouthcoast.co.uk         |
| First Group                 | 0871 200 2233 | www.firstgroup.com          | Contact Bus Operator              |
| Transdev<br>(Yellow Bus)    | 01202 636110  | www.bybus.co.uk             | Contact Bus Operator              |
| South<br>Western<br>Railway | 03456000650   | www.southwesternrailway.com | 16-25 railcard                    |

There are some situations where a young person travelling on public transport may be entitled to a free bus pass for off peak travel if they have a disability. Details are available at <a href="https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/travel-dorset/bus/national-bus-pass-concessionary-travel">www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/travel-dorset/bus/national-bus-pass-concessionary-travel</a>

# 2 Travel assistance for students aged 16-18 with Special Educational Needs, Disabilities or Compelling Medical Circumstances

# 2.1 Criteria for additional support

Young people aged between 16-18 and fulfilling the criteria set out in Section 3 may also be provided with additional support when:

 A professional assessment clearly indicates that a young person would not be able to access existing public transport routes to a place of learning because of their SEN or disability, and meet the qualifying criteria.



 A young person is within the 3 mile distance criteria of a school but a professional assessment clearly indicates that a young person would not be able to access to their place of learning because of their SEND or disability.

# 2.2 Supplementary information

Types of assistance that may be provided are:

- PTB's Personal Travel Budgets
- Contract Bus/Council Fleet
- Mini Bus
- Taxi
- Vehicle used by other Council directorates
- Fuel contribution, if it is shown to be a cost effective solution (Families should be prepared to use their own vehicle where there are no suitable or appropriate alternative arrangements in place). The rate paid to families, is for the shortest available driven route only (45p per mile x return journey/s)

## 2.3 The Terms and Conditions

Provision of dedicated transport is subject to the following conditions:

- Assisted transport will only be provided for one inward and one outward journey to/from
  college at the beginning and end of the college day. This may not be according to the
  start and finish of the timetable day.
- Assisted transport will only be provided between the same pick up/drop off points each day. If other destinations are required this will be parent/carer preference which they will have to organise and pay for.
- Transport is not provided for induction or taster days or work experience.
- If students move outside of the Dorset Council area part way through their course, transport assistance will cease and they must apply to their new Local Authority for assistance.
- The Council expects students to travel by public transport where it is available.
   Independent Travel Training may enable students to progress to using buses and/or trains. Please contact the school or college who may be able to access limited funds through Dorset Council to support this activity.
- Students who travel on contract bus routes or taxi with other students, have no choice as to the time for outward or return journeys.

## 2.4 Application process



Applications for transport assistance must be received by the SEN Team, Dorset Council, County Hall, Dorchester, DT1 1XJ, by 31 May prior to the start of the course. A young person must re-apply for transport for each year of study.

# 2.5 Charges and Contributions

All young people will contribute towards the cost of transport. For 2022/2023, Dorset Council has set this amount at £825.

If the family is on Maximum Working Credits or the student is entitled to free school meals, this will be reduced by 50%, consistent with the overall Post 16 Transport provision. (See **Section 3**)

In exceptional circumstances, the eligibility criteria with regard to 'live over 3 miles from their nearest and/or appropriate school/college' may be dis-applied for a young person with significant disability and/or mobility need and the contribution would be reduced by 50%.

# 3 Post 16 Reduced Rates for the Surplus Seat Travel Scheme

Dorset Council is committed to supporting families in accessing Post 16 education and has in addition set up the Local Authority 16+ Assistance Scheme whereby a Post 16 student can qualify for a 50% reduction in the cost of their travel pass (including those passes provided by the OSOO Contractors) or a 50% reduction in the £825 contribution towards transport provided by Dorset Council.

50% reduction in not available on public transport routes or rail.

In order to qualify for assistance under the Local Authority 16+ assistance scheme **all students** must meet **each of** the following criteria:

- Be resident in the Dorset Council area
- Be under 19 on 31 August immediately preceding the start of the academic year or up to 25 if a Section139a/Education, Health and Care Plan highlights transport is a necessity
- Live over 3 miles from their nearest and/or appropriate school/college
- Be in full time education (16 hours or more over 3+ days per week)
- Families are in receipt of Maximum Working Tax Credit/ Universal Credit, or the student is entitled to Free School Meals
- The student had a compelling medical circumstance prior to post 16 which attracted transport support and a case is made for it to continue (applies to nearest



school/college only and supporting evidence from the appropriate Medical Officer will always be required)

OR

• The student has a compelling medical circumstance that arises during post 16 education (applies to nearest school/college only and supporting evidence from the appropriate Medical Officer will always be required).

#### Supplementary information:

- Assisted transport is only available for one inward and one outward journey to/from school/college at the beginning and end of the school/college day. This may not be according to the start and finish of the timetable day.
- Assisted transport will only be provided between the same pick up/drop off points each day. If other destinations are required this will be parent/carer preference which they will have to organise and pay for.
- Transport is not provided for induction or taster days or work experience.
- If students move outside of the Dorset Council area part way through their course they must apply to their new Local Authority for assistance.

# 4 Regulations Affecting Surplus Seats

Please note, at the time of updating this policy, it is the Government's intention to enforce the Public Service Vehicle Accessibility Regulations (PSVAR) on all routes carrying paying passengers. In the context of school transport, this means surplus seat pass holders.

This will require that all paying passengers must travel on a vehicle that has suitable access for passengers with disabilities – eg low floors or wheelchair lifts. As many vehicles used on school routes, such as older coaches, do not comply with these regulations, this will mean that they cannot be used to carry paying surplus seat pass holders. This will apply to all local authorities in England, not just Dorset Council.

However, it will <u>not</u> affect those pupils who are currently eligible for free school transport or surplus seat holders travelling on low-floor public service buses, PSVAR-compliant coaches or smaller vehicles such as minibuses and taxis.

This is likely to have some impact on school transport operators during the 2022/23 academic year and could potentially limit the future availability of surplus seats as a result. It is unclear at the time of writing this policy what the scale and timing of this impact will be.



# 5 Post 19 Transport

Under Section 508F Education Act 1996 where a Local Authority considers it necessary for a young person between 19-25 to have travel assistance (Section 139a/Education, Health and Care Plans so highlights) in order to access an education institution or training, then the LA is required to provide free travel assistance.

# 6 General Terms and Conditions

# 6.1 When can a travel pass (public transport) or OSOO Seat be used?

- If travelling on coaches or other contract transport arrangements, which do not involve season tickets, there will be no choice over the outward or return journey details.
- If travelling with a season ticket these are usually available for use between designated stops and journeys and at an agreed time, morning and afternoon.
- Some bus operators have introduced a fare card system which allows travel in the
  evening and at weekends at a reduced cost. Check with your school/college or local
  bus operator.
- Opportunities for tickets, which can be used across transport providers, are not generally available.

# 6.2 Out of Dorset Council Area Colleges which are beyond daily travel distances

If you are attending a college that is a considerable distance away from the Dorset Council area you should enquire directly to the college about transport support arrangements. Further details can be found at: <a href="https://documents.ncbursary-adult-learners">https://documents.ncbursary-adult-learners</a>

## 6.3 Complaints

Please refer to 5.1 in the Home to School Transport Policy for the complaints procedure.

#### 6.4 Consultation

The Home to School Transport Policy and the Post 16 Transport Support Policy will be reviewed on an annual basis to reflect the changes to costs associated with SSTS fares. If further changes are required Dorset Council will consult with young people and their parents through the consultation pages contained on Dorset for You.



# 6.5 References

Please refer to other sections within the Dorset Home to School Transport Policy for further information on:

- 2.1 Methods of Transport
- 2.2 Journey Times
- 2.3 Pickup and Drop off Points
- 2.5 Personal Luggage3.1 Advice for Parents
- 3.2 Advice for Children
- 5.1 Complaints
- 5.2 Transport Appeals.



Further information on the 16-19 Bursary scheme is available through the following website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide</a>

| Schools and Sixth Form Provision   |  |   |  |
|--|--|---|--|
| School, address  | Telephone, email, website  | Travelling to/from  |  |
| Budmouth Technology<br>College<br>Chickerell Road<br>Weymouth<br>DT4 9SY | 01305 830560  cockingsj@budmouth.dorset.sch.uk   | Students who have been eligible for free school meals in the past or who may be from disadvantaged economic circumstances are encouraged to apply for the Bursary Fund. This is government money which is administered by schools.  You can get an application form for the bursary from your tutor, the Sixth Form Office or from the website. Once you have completed your application, please hand it in to the 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Office; |  |
|  | www.budmouth.dorset.sch.uk   | The exact amount you may receive depends on a number of factors, including how well you attend lessons, tutor time and other compulsory activities.  You can apply for the bursary if your situation changes at any point in the year. If you have any enquiries, please contact the 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Office.   |  |
| Beaminster & Sir John<br>Colfox Sixth Form<br>Provision                  | https://www.colfox.org/wp-<br>content/uploads/2013/06/SJC-and-<br>Beam-Joint-Sixth-Form-Bursary-16-19-<br>Bursary-Fund.pdf | The Joint Sixth Form provides both the Guaranteed Bursary to those who fit the statutory entitlement. There are also discretionary bursaries that will support a range of students to remain in Post 16 education including travel.   |  |
| Ferndown Upper<br>School<br>Cherry Grove<br>Ferndown<br>BH22 9EY         | 01202 871243  cindylalani@fernup. dorset.sch.uk  www.fernup.dorset. sch.uk   | For information regarding the Free Bournemouth Bus service, please contact the school for details. Other routes require a bus pass purchased through Dorset Council. A bursary option is available to support sixth form students from low income families, which can be used towards the cost of transport. Please direct all enquiries to the school.   |  |



| Gillingham School<br>Hardings Lane<br>Gillingham<br>SP8 4QP | 01747 822222  hlewis@gillingham.dorset.sch.uk  www.gillingham.dorset.sch.uk  | There are two modes of transport provided by the school; the first is a 57 seater bus that collects students from the Wincanton area and the second is a minibus carrying 16 students (predominantly sixth formers). The routes taken are specific to the majority of students that apply per year. Please direct all enquiries to the school. Financial assistance forms are available through the school office for parents who are struggling with transport payments. The applications are based on whether they qualify with regard to the benefits they receive and their individual circumstances. The total cost of transport is not covered but a sum is normally allocated to reduce the overall cost. Please direct all enquiries to the school. |
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| The Gryphon School<br>Bristol Road<br>Sherborne<br>DT9 4EQ  | 01935<br>813122<br>office@gryp<br>hon.dorset.s<br>ch.uk  | The school contracts a number of buses to transport students from the surrounding areas. For the academic year 2021/22 a transport subsidy is offered to sixth form students using these buses. In addition, sixth form students from low income families can apply for a 16-19 Bursary, which can be used towards the cost of transport. More information about 16-19 school transport can be found on the school's website.   |
| Queen Elizabeth's<br>School<br>Wimborne Minster<br>BH21 4DT | www.gryphon.dorset.sch.uk  01202 885233 office@qe.dorset.sch.uk  www.qe.dorset.sch.uk  www.qe.dorset.sch.uk/Bursary- Information | QE have a bursary scheme that will support students in accessing 6 <sup>th</sup> Form provision.  The 16-19 Bursary for QE is intended to support the most vulnerable students in Post-16 education. In order to access this fund, a student must be on a full-time programme of study and fulfil one of the 4 categories below:  1. Children in care.  2. Care Leavers.  3. Young people in receipt of income support.  4. Disabled young people in receipt of Disability Living Allowance and Employment Support Allowance.   |
| Thomas Hardye<br>School                                     | https://www.thomas-<br>hardye.net/pages/sixth_form/bursary.p<br>hp   | The School provides a range of Bursaries to support those leaving Year 11 to stay on in education. There are 4 tiers of Bursary as well as an Education Support Grant.  There is the High Priority Bursary for those in Care, on Income support or Universal Credit and those disabled young people on Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance.  There are 3 tiers of the Discretionary Bursary, all of which can contribute to the costs of the course as well as transport. Further details please follow the link.  |



| St Peters School<br>St Catherine's Road<br>Bournemouth<br>BH6 4AH | 01202 437204  sixthform@st- peters.bournemouth.sch.uk  | School buses are available to enable students to travel to the school. A student financial support package is available based on income. If students meet the set criteria, and have good attendance, they can get help with travel costs, costs of book and trips etc. Please direct all enquiries to the school.   |
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| Shaftesbury School &<br>Sturminster Newton<br>High School         | www.st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk Shaftesbury & Sturminster Sixth Form http://shaftesburyschool.co.uk/sixth-form/ | <ul> <li>Financial Support for Sixth Form Students</li> <li>At Shaftesbury and Sturminster Sixth Form the bursary fund is used to support students remaining in post-16 education when financial issues might impact on their time in the Sixth Form. We aim to do this in the following ways.</li> <li>Students who the government has identified as 'highly vulnerable' such as students looked after by the local authority, care leavers, students who receive Income Support [in their own right] and those entitled to both Employment Support Allowance and Disability Living Allowance will receive a bursary in three termly instalments.</li> <li>Students who are eligible for free school meals or who come from families with a household income of below £26,000 will be able to apply for assistance to meet educational needs such as the cost of transport to school, equipment and educational visits. Once it is established a student is eligible for support, payments will be made from the bursary fund each term, but it is not guaranteed that the fund will be sufficient to pay all needs in full.</li> <li>If sufficient funds are available we may also be able to provide some support to students on a family income of £26,000-30,000.</li> <li>If sufficient money is available after all identified needs have been met we will also provide a termly lump sum payment to all students eligible for support under the scheme to go towards the general costs of remaining in education.</li> </ul> |
| Woodroffe School<br>Lyme Regis<br>Tel: 01927442232                | http://www.woodroffe.dorset.sch.uk/  | The school runs a Learner Support Bursary Scheme. The aim of this grant is to provide some financial support towards educational costs for eligible students who are aged 16-18, currently attending the Woodroffe School sixth form and following a full-time course. The grant may be used, for example, to help towards the costs of school <b>transport</b> , uniform, books, equipment, materials, study/field trips or educational visits. It may take the form of vouchers for the school shop, direct payment for school events and visits or payment towards school transport. Some payment may be made directly to the student via BACS. Receipt of this and future payments will be dependent on student attendance, punctuality and commitment to learning. Grants will be made each half term or as appropriate.  The Learner Support Bursary is available for any students who require financial support for their education, particularly if they are from a family on a low income and/or in receipt of child tax credits.   |



| Contact the school directly for an application. |  | Contact the school directly for an application. |
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# **APPENDIX B**

Further information on the 16-19 Bursary scheme is available through the following website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/advice-for-young-people-16-to-19-bursary-fund-guide</a>

|  | Colleges                                |   |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| College,<br>address                                      | Telephone,<br>email<br>website          | Support Provision   |  |  |
| Kingston<br>Maurward<br>College<br>Dorchester<br>DT2 8PY | jason.hughes@kmc.ac.uk<br>www.kmc.ac.uk | Courses leading to a qualification are FREE for British citizens, aged under 19 years on 31 August in the academic year you start your course.* However, there may be some additional costs for clothing/kit and trips depending on your course. If you can prove that you meet one of the following, you can apply to the Bursary Fund for extra help towards the cost of transport, food, equipment or childcare.  • Your household level of income is under £20,000 per year • You are in care or a 'care leaver' • You are receiving Income Support/Universal Credit • You are receiving Employment Support Allowance in the Work-Related Activity Group • You were in receipt of free school meals in Year 11 – in which case you will receive a free college meal**  Aged over 19?  Students aged 19 and over will be liable for tuition fees unless they are eligible for fee remissionThis is subject to change each year. Please contact us for details on fees for Level 3 courses. |  |  |



|                                  |   | Fee remission is currently available to most UK/EEA citizens aged 19+, are studying a level 1 or level 2 course and their situation is one of the following:   |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
|                                  |   | Between the ages of 19-23 and have not previously achieved a full level 2 qualification (five GCSE's A-C/9-4 or equivalent)  |
|                                  |   | <ul> <li>Between the ages of 19-23 and have not previously achieved a full level 3 qualification (two A levels or<br/>equivalent)</li> </ul>   |
|                                  |   | <ul> <li>Unemployed and in receipt of Employment Support Allowance in the Work Related Activity Group, Job<br/>Seekers Allowance, Universal Credits or any other state benefit such as housing benefit, income support,<br/>working tax credits etc.</li> </ul>              |
|                                  |   | <ul> <li>In receipt of low income – must earn less than £15,736.50 annual gross salary</li> </ul>  |
|                                  |   | Please note there are some exceptions – including the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.   |
|                                  |   | Those applying for Level 3 courses will be able to apply for the advanced learner loan. These loans are non-means-tested and you won't have to pay anything back until you earn more than £25,000 a year. For further details visit https://www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan |
|                                  |   | Transport Support  |
|                                  |   | https://www.kmc.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Transport-Guide-2018-2019-FINAL.pdf   |
|                                  |   | The link above provides a detailed account of transport support for those studying at Kingston Maurward College.   |
| Weymouth College Cranford Avenue | 01305 764766  peter_atkins@weymouth.ac.uk | Weymouth College is committed to ensure that financial hardship is not a barrier to support students stay in further education, particularly those who are economically or socially disadvantaged.   |
| Weymouth                         | www.weymouth.ac.uk                        |  |



| DT4 7LQ   |  | If you are already studying or you plan to study at Weymouth College, you can apply to Weymouth College for discretionary support funds to help you with your course-related costs such as travel, equipment, trips, lunch, stationery and also childcare support.  There are a number of schemes available, please see below:  1. 16-18 Guaranteed Bursary 2. 16-18 Discretionary Bursary 3. 19+ Discretionary Learner Support including childcare 4. Advanced Learner Loan Bursary Fund including childcare 5. Free Meals Scheme  To apply for any of the above funds, students can download the application form. For more information, please consult our student finance guidebook. If you require further advice or guidance, please do not hesitate to contact the Student Services Team on Tel: 01305 764807, or Email: collegebursaries@weymouth.ac.uk |
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| Bournemouth & Poole College North Road Parkstone Poole BH14 0LS         | 01202 205660/205362 studentfinance@bpc.ac.uk www.bpc.ac.uk | Student Financial Support 16-18 year old students Vulnerable and Discretionary Bursaries; including College Meal and Travel Support At Bournemouth & Poole College, we can support with the cost of your course and travel costs. If you are a student who is either in care or leaving care, you would be eligible to apply for a vulnerable bursary, which could include a monthly payment, paid direct to you to help you with those little extras, as well as receiving a College Meal Card and Travel Pass. Discretionary bursaries are for those students who have a lower income within their families and are currently receiving one of the benefits stated in the criteria (http://www.thecollege.co.uk/student-support/student-finance).   |
| Brockenhurst<br>College<br>Lyndhurst<br>Road<br>Brockenhurst<br>SO4 7ZE | 01590 625533<br>travel@brock.ac.uk<br>www.brock.ac.uk      | Eligibility: Students may be assisted from the Discretionary Bursary Fund if they meet the following criteria: Aged 16-18 at the start of the course. Studying a state funded course at Brockenhurst College, including our skills centres (most 16-19 full time programmes meet this criteria). Living in a household where the total annual household income is less than £26,000. Level of funding offered: For example, a student who qualifies for a Discretionary Bursary (i.e. lives in a household where the total annual income is less than £22,500) will be eligible for:  |



|  |  | A contribution of 50% towards a College Travel Pass. Essential Course Costs  |
|--|--|--|
| Yeovil   | 01935 423921                                   | 16-19 Bursary Funds  |
| College<br>Mudford<br>Road<br>Yeovil<br>BA21 4DR | michelle.dennett@yeovil.ac.uk www.yeovil.ac.uk | To help meet the costs associated with accessing learning, students experiencing financial difficulty can apply for assistance in the form of a bursary.  Funds are allocated through a means assessed system. Funds are provided by the Education and Skills Funding  |
|  |  | Agency (ESFA).   |
|  |  | Guaranteed Bursary:  |
|  |  | <ul> <li>Children in Care or Care Leavers.</li> <li>16 - 19 students in receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit in their own name.</li> <li>Students in receipt of Employment Support Allowance (ESA)/Universal Credit and Disability Living Allowance (DLA)/Personal Independence Payment (PIP) in their own name. Learners must be in receipt of both benefits to qualify.</li> </ul>  |
|  |  | Discretionary Bursary:   |
|  |  | <ul> <li>16-19 students whose household income falls below £30,000.</li> <li>19+ students living in the parental home who can provide evidence of personal income of below £30,000.</li> <li>19+ students living independently or with a spouse/partner and can provide evidence of household income below £36,000.</li> <li>Learners who are in receipt of an Adult Learning Loan.</li> <li>Proof of eligibility must be enclosed with your application. Applications without evidence will be returned. See application form for details.</li> </ul> |
| Wiltshire  | 01225 350035                                   | Travelling to Wiltshire College  |
| College<br>Salisbury<br>Southampton<br>Road      | info@wiltshire.ac.uk                           | http://www.wiltshire.ac.uk/rss/Student-Services/Transport  |
| Salisbury<br>Wiltshire                           | www.wiltshire.ac.uk                            |  |



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| SP1 2LW |         | This weblink provides information on a range of support that is available dependent on where you are living. This includes information on bus passes in various campus including the Chippenham Campus, The Lockham Campus, Salisbury Campus and the Trowbridge Campus |
|         |         | Students living In Wiltshire:  |

If you live in Wiltshire, and are under 19 and live more than 3 miles from the College campus you will attend, you can apply for a subsidised travel pass from Wiltshire Council, as long as the College is your nearest provider of the course..

A Post 16 Transport Application is available to download from Wiltshire Council at wiltshire.gov.uk. Alternatively, you can pick up a copy from Customer Services at your designated campus or contact Wiltshire Council on 0300 456 0100.

Bus passes last for one academic year only and students must re-apply each year.

# **Studying at the Chippenham Campus**

You will need to purchase your Wiltshire Council bus pass through the College. Please download the Devizes to Chippenham transport application form and return it to Student Services Chippenham campus with payment as soon as you can.

Students living in Calne, Lyneham, Royal Wootton Bassett or Swindon

Stagecoach offer a Greener Travel Initiative fare - Details are available from <a href="https://www.stagecoachbus.com">https://www.stagecoachbus.com</a>

Students living in Corsham, Box, Batheaston, Bath, Melksham, Trowbridge and Frome



Faresaver offer a weekly pass – Further information is available from <a href="http://www.faresaver.co.uk/school.php">http://www.faresaver.co.uk/school.php</a>

# Travelling by Train to Chippenham Campus on Great Western Railway (GWR)

You may be eligible for a subsidised train pass - please call 03457660228 and ask about a Scholar Season Ticket

FE Students who are not eligible for any of the above passes and who are travelling from other locations

If you are not eligible for the above bus passes and are coming by train or other method of transport, please download a College Public Transport Award form and you will be given a cash award to help with your travel costs.

All students who apply and are eligible for a bursary, will automatically be assessed for transport help and may receive some funding towards the above transport costs. You will be notified of any award made.

Please contact Customer Services at Chippenham for further information on travel options 01225 350035.

# **Studying at the Lackham Campus**

Students living outside of Wiltshire



Students traveling to Lackham who live outside of Wiltshire should download and apply to Wiltshire College and University Centre Lackham College Transport Application form and return it to Customer Services at Lackham with payment as soon as possible.

Students living in Wiltshire

Students traveling to Lackham who live in Wiltshire should download a Wiltshire Council 2019 Post 16 Transport Application form and return it to Wiltshire Council Passenger Transport unless the student is applying for a bursary in which case they should hand the bursary form and transport form together to Customer services at Lackham as soon as possible with the evidence requested.

Please see the provisional bus timetable for Lackham here.

Students living in Midsomer Norton or Radstock

A new college bus is available for students travelling to Lackham who live in Midsomer Norton or Radstock. Details of bus times can be found on the application form Midsomer Norton / Radstock transport application. Please return completed applications to Customer Services Lackham with payment as soon as possible. .

FE Students who are not eligible for any of the above passes and who are travelling from other locations



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## **Studying at the Salisbury Campus**

Alternative bus pass options

Salisbury Reds offer a Young Person's network ticket which can be purchased either from the bus driver or from the Salisbury Reds shop in Salisbury – further information is available at

- https://www.salisburyreds.co.uk/tickets

Alternatively Go Southcoast offer a Wiltshire College and University Centre pass to students which can be purchased online. The termly cost is dependent on whether you are travelling from Wiltshire, Dorset or Hampshire and for a small supplement you can upgrade the pass to unlimited travel on the network. Further information and online ordering is available on <a href="http://passes.gosouthcoast.co.uk/">http://passes.gosouthcoast.co.uk/</a>



FE Students travelling from Hampshire or Dorset with a household income under £25,000

If you are travelling by bus, you will need to apply to the college bursary fund and download and apply for a College Go SouthCoast pass

If you are not eligible for the above bus passes and are coming by train or other method of transport, you can download a College Public Transport Award and you will be given a cash award to help with your travel costs.

Please contact Customer Services at Salisbury for further information on travel options 01225 350035.

## **Studying at the Trowbridge Campus**

Students travelling from Frome, Melksham, Lacock or Chippenham

Faresaver offer a weekly bus pass – Further information is available from <a href="http://www.faresaver.co.uk/school.php">http://www.faresaver.co.uk/school.php</a>

Students travelling from Midsomer Norton or Radstock

A new college bus is available for students travelling to Trowbridge who live in Midsomer Norton or Radstock. Details of bus times can be found on the application form Midsomer Norton / Radstock transport application. Please return completed applications to Customer Services Trowbridge with payment as soon as possible. .

Students travelling from Bath



Students travelling from Bath to Trowbridge campus are able to purchase a First Bus mticket pass for travel in the Bath and Bristol outer zone. Further information is available here for Wiltshire College students https://www.firstgroup.com/bristol-bath-and-west/routes-and-maps/colleges

A Bath and Bristol Outer zone map is available here

<a href="https://www.firstgroup.com/uploads/maps/Bath\_Bristol\_Combined\_Zones\_Map\_WEB.pdf">https://www.firstgroup.com/uploads/maps/Bath\_Bristol\_Combined\_Zones\_Map\_WEB.pdf</a>

Students will need to download the First bus app and college tickets will be available to purchase one month before the start of each term.

https://www.firstgroup.com/bristol-bath-and-west/tickets/ticket-types/mtickets

This option is available to all full time students including HE at the College

Students travelling from Somerset

A County Ticket is available from Somerset County Council. The pass is called a 'Love the Bus' smartcard. You can apply and pay in full online by credit/debit card, or in full by cheque or spread the cost in 10 equal payments by Direct Debit if you have applied by 1st August. Please contact Somerset <a href="http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/public-transport/county-ticket/">http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/public-transport/county-ticket/</a>.

Students travelling by train to Trowbridge on Great Western Railway (GWR)



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All FE students who apply and are eligible for a bursary will automatically be assessed for transport help and may receive some funding towards the above transport costs. You will be notified in September of any award made.

Please contact Customer Services at Trowbridge for further information on travel options 01225 350035