

Bus Contribution Program - FAQ's

1. Q How do I book a bus service for 2026?

A Firstly ascertain the service that suits your needs and click on the Trybooking Link that corresponds to that bus service

2. Q Where do I find the Trybooking link?

A All bus services have been designated their own information page on the College website with corresponding timetables, and you will find the relevant Trybooking link on this page. This information can be found on the College website under the Enrolment and Tours – _Transport tab.

3. Q What is the Conveyance Allowance?

A The Department of Education and Training provides financial assistance in the form of a conveyance allowance to help families in rural and regional Victoria with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest appropriate school/campus. Parents/Guardians have primary responsibility for transporting their children to and from school. This includes the upfront costs associated with travel to and from school and costs not met by transport fare reimbursement, which is available as part of the Conveyance Allowance. The Conveyance Allowance is a contribution towards transport costs and is not intended to cover the full cost of transporting children to and from school. The Allowance is an acknowledgement of the limited government-provided transport infrastructure available outside metropolitan Melbourne.

4. Q I do not want to pay \$1100 for a Category A bus, what are my options?

A There is the option of catching public transport to school (Category D).

5. Q Why do I need to pay \$550 and get a MYKI for a Category C bus?

A The \$550 goes towards your child being picked up and dropped off within school grounds on a daily basis.

6. Q What is the difference between Category D where no payment is required and the other buses?

A The College manages the number of students allocated to these buses and they drop students into College grounds. Category D is a public bus, and it does not come into the College grounds. Page 2 of 3



7. Q I currently pay for a bus allocation as our student is non-eligible, will I still be able to apply for the bus service?

A Yes, but you will be asked to contribute \$1100.

8. Q Our student lives at two addresses, can they get two buses?

A Yes, however, there will be no discount for the second seat, and you will need to pay \$1100.

9. Q My child only catches the bus occasionally, do I only pay for the days we use the bus?

A No, you will need to be allocated a full place which will attract payment with no discount

10.Q My Year 12 student has their license and will drive?

A There has been no parking available for Year 12 students at the College and it is advised that you arrange alternative transport options. If your child turns 18 throughout the year **NO** refund will be given if they start driving, unless your spot is taken up by another student.

11. Q What happens when I am on the waiting list?

A The waiting list will be managed by the transport team, and you will be notified if a vacancy arises

12. Q How will I know if my student has been allocated a seat?

A Once you have successfully booked on Trybooking, you have secured a place on the service for 2026. We will also send out a confirmation email out mid-December.

13. Q Can I use another bus if I have something on after school?

A No.

14. Q Can I bring friends home on the bus that I am allocated to?

A No.

15. Q What happens if I change address?

A Please contact College Transport Team to discuss availability on the bus you require.

Kind regards,

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