

School Transport Provision 2019/2020



Dear Principal,

I wish to again bring your attention to the terms of the Post Primary School Transport Scheme which are available on the Department of Education and Skills website at www.education.ie

Put simply, **children are eligible for transport where they reside not less than 4.8 kms from and are attending their nearest post primary school/education centre as determined by the Department/Bus Éireann, having regard to ethos and language.**

In selecting a post primary school, it is important that parents be made aware of eligibility criteria for school transport provision.

While it is the prerogative of parents to send their children to the school of their choice, eligibility for school transport is to the nearest school.

To assist parents in relation to school transport eligibility, it would be appreciated if the enclosed Question and Answer Sheet could be brought to parents' attention

Application Forms are available online at www.buseireann.ie and must be submitted before the last Friday in April (26th April 2019).

It is important that applications for school transport are made on time as late applicants are not guaranteed seats.

Further information or clarification may be obtained by parents visiting the Bus Éireann website www.BusEireann.ie

Your support in disseminating this information to parents is appreciated.
Yours sincerely,



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School Transport Manager West.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT 2019/2020 School Year



1. Who is eligible?

Children who reside at least 4.8 kilometres from and attending their nearest school are eligible for post primary school transport.

2. How do I apply?

Online to Bus Éireann at www.buseireann.ie

3. When do I apply?

Applications should be submitted before the last Friday in April. Late applicants are not guaranteed a seat.

4. What is the charge?

The current annual charge is €350 per child with a family maximum of €650.

5. Can I spread the payment over the school year?

Payments may be made in two instalments in July and December.

6. Are some children exempt from paying?

Yes. Only eligible children i.e. children residing at least 4.8 kilometres from and attending their nearest school, who hold valid Medical Cards (GMS Scheme), do not pay. All other children must pay.

7. Where can I get more details on the scheme?

Full terms of the Post Primary School Transport Scheme are available at www.education.ie and www.buseireann.ie.