

SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORT

Information for Users & Conditions of Travel

Schools served:

Beaulieu; De La Salle; FCJ; JCG Secondary; Victoria College Secondary; Hautlieu; Grainville; Haute Vallée; Le Rocquier and Les Quennevais.

Usage

- Bus services to schools are a mixture of dedicated and scheduled Connex services as denoted on the timetables.
- Students can transfer through at no extra cost on buses during term time if more than one service is required for the journey. Please keep the original on-bus ticket issued to show to the next driver.
- The system operated is an 'open' system and as such it is expected that some bus services will occasionally overload, necessitating the use of later Connex scheduled buses (which will involve travel via the Bus Station). Parents should ensure that children are aware of the scheduled services that generally follow the dedicated school buses in the morning and the required bus onwards from the Weighbridge to the particular school. If you need advice on this please telephone 877772.
- Dedicated School Buses are for home to school and return home trips only.
- Provision of travel to after-school activities is the sole responsibility of parents.
- Students and their parents/guardians are deemed to accept the Transport & Technical Services Code of Practice when making use of buses. Copies are available from School offices, Sand Street Car Park Office and the States of Jersey website at www.gov.je/schoolbus.
- Parents are responsible for the safety and security of children until they have boarded a bus in the morning and once they have alighted from a bus in the afternoon.
- Availability is always on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Tickets:

The School Bus system essentially operates on a pre-paid ticket basis. Tickets are available in books of 10 tickets from most school offices and retail outlets such as Checkers Express, Sand Street Car Park offices, some Co-Op outlets and corner shops displaying red and yellow School Bus stickers.

- The Connex Student Fare and the School Bus Fare are the same value.
- The current fare is 60p per single journey (see Usage section when a change of bus is required; students can travel through on one ticket in term time)
- There is no facility on dedicated school buses (numbered in the range 112 to 998) for paying by cash.
- Children are expected to have tickets at the start of term and may be refused travel if no ticket is offered.
- Students in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 are advised to carry school identification when travelling on Connex scheduled services to denote student fare entitlement, particularly when not in uniform or when involved with Project Trident work experience. Further information can be obtained from your school office.

Parents of younger children at Beaulieu, De La Salle and FCJ should take note of the particular conditions relevant to this age group.

1. The current dedicated Colleges system is designed for students of secondary school age on a first come, first served basis.
2. If a bus is unable to take a primary aged pupil on board, it is the parent's responsibility to ensure that the pupil is taken to school by other means in the morning or collected by the parent from the school in the afternoon.
3. Because of the 'open' system operated, it is expected that some dedicated College school bus services will occasionally overload, necessitating the use of later Connex scheduled buses, which will involve a change at the Bus Station. Pupils of primary school age are not included in this procedure for safety and security reasons, unless looked after by an older sibling of secondary school age who will be deemed to be responsible for them.
4. For insurance purposes staff of the schools concerned must undertake supervision of FCJ primary pupils during unloading and loading at FCJ and on the public pavement on Wellington Hill. The shuttle to & from FCJ must be escorted by FCJ staff.

Schedules are published on www.gov.je/schoolbus at all times, along with associated documents. A public notice will appear in the JEP on the last Saturday of the summer holidays to advise of any alterations to the schedules.