



St Joseph's College Geelong

General Bus Information

How does the bus system work in my area?

COASTAL AREAS

If your son lives in one of the following suburbs, you may be entitled to receive bus travel at no cost. A Conveyance Allowance Application form must be completed and returned to the College. McHarry's Buslines will send you a Coastal Bus Pass at the beginning of each year.

Examples of Coastal Areas are:

Barwon Heads	Indented Head	Pt Lonsdale
Clifton Springs	Jan Juc	Queenscliff
Connewarre	Mt Duneed (some areas)	Torquay
Curlewis	Ocean Grove	Wallington
Drysdale	Portarlington	

Bus times and service routes for these areas can be obtained by contacting McHarry's Buslines on 5223 2111, www.mcharrys.com.au or email info@mcharrys.com.au

COUNTRY AREAS

If your son lives in one of the following suburbs, you may be entitled to receive bus travel on a Government Contract Bus to and from school at no cost. A PVT Application for Permission to Travel – Eligible Students form must be completed and returned to the College. Bus passes are not issued for this travel.

Parents receive information about bus routes and times by email, from the regional co-ordinating school after their application for travel is processed.

Examples of country areas are:

Aireys Inlet	Fairhaven	Lovely Banks (some areas)
Anglesea	Freshwater Creek	Meredith
Bannockburn	Fyansford	Modewarre
Barrabool	Gheringhap	Moriac
Batesford	Gnarwarre	Stonehaven
Bellbrae	Inverleigh	Teesdale
Bells Beach	Lethbridge	Winchelsea
Buckley	Little River	Wurdibolic

OTHER AREAS OUTSIDE 4.8km

If your son lives in one of the following suburbs AND the address is further than 4.8km (shortest practical route Bing Maps) from St Joseph's College, you may be eligible to claim a conveyance refund from the Department of Education. In order to claim a conveyance refund you must:

1. Complete and purchase a Public Transport Student Concession. Forms are available via the College office, train stations and www.ptv.vic.gov.au from around mid January. Cost approximately \$10 and you will need 2 passport sized photos.
2. Purchase a Yearly or Half Yearly MYKI from any train station. Cost of a yearly Geelong Transit System (GTS) pass is approximately \$370
3. Complete a Student Conveyance Allowance Application. Forms can be downloaded from the College Website.

The receipt of the MYKI and the Student Conveyance Allowance Application must be submitted to the College before a claim can be made. Funds received will be reimbursed to you via your school fee account. Please note claims cannot be made for the top up or replacement of a MYKI.

Examples of areas outside 4.8 kms.

Armstrong Creek	Leopold	St Albans Park
Bell Park	Lovely Banks *	Wandana Heights *
Bell Post Hill	Moolap	Waurm Ponds
Corio	Mt Duneed	Whittington
Grovedale	Newcomb	(*only some areas)
Lara	Norlane	

ALL OTHER AREAS WITHIN 4.8km

If your son will be travelling on the bus to school, you can purchase a yearly or half yearly MYKI and complete and purchase a Public Transport Student Concession, as explained on the previous page. Unfortunately there is no reimbursement available for travellers who reside within 4.8kms.

Alternatively, you may obtain a MYKI card and load money onto this card as needed. If your son is 17 years or over you may also need to complete and purchase a Public Transport Student Concession, in order for him to travel at a concession rate.

For information on the whereabouts of your nearest bus stop and pick-up/drop-off times, please contact the bus company which services your area:

McHarry's

www.mcharrys.com.au or call 5223 2111

CDC Victoria (formally Benders Buslines) www.cdcvictoria.com.au or call 5240 5000

If at any stage during your son's enrolment at the College you have a change of address, the College must be notified immediately. New bus or conveyance forms will then need to be completed in order for your son to travel on the bus or claim conveyancing.

Please direct any further queries about bus conveyance to Holly McIntosh at St Joseph's on 5226 8111.

*Please note that the information provided is a guide only.