



APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL TRANSPORT – LOW INCOME

The County Council is able to offer free travel under the terms of the Education & Inspections Act 2006. Under this Act local authorities are required to provide free transport for children aged 8 -11 from low income families, who attend their nearest appropriate school and live more than two miles but less than six miles from the school; and for children aged 11-16 who attend one of their 3 nearest qualifying schools where they live more than 2 miles, but not more than 6 miles from that school.

In order to be entitled to free school transport the children will need to qualify for Free School Meals because their parents/carers are in receipt of at least one of the following benefits:

- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit

If you are not entitled to Free School Meals, another benefit that is accepted is entitlement to the **maximum level of Working Tax Credits**. This means that there is no reduction due to income in the Working Tax Credits elements section of your HM Revenue & Customs award notice for the current tax year and your annual income is no more than £16,190.

If you feel you are entitled and wish to apply for this you should complete the details overleaf and also sign and date the Agreement below. You will also need to provide the evidence requested to show you are in receipt of one of the above benefits. You will be asked for this information annually once transport entitlement is agreed.

AGREEMENT: I understand that –

- I am applying for Home to School Transport on the terms and conditions as set out in the Notes of Guidance.
- If my child ceases to be entitled to Free School Meals/Free Transport I will notify the Admissions and Transport Team on 01296 383250.
- If my child moves address I will notify The Admissions Team in writing as soon as the new address is confirmed.
- If my child leaves the school I will notify AMEY Client Transport on 01296 387439 and return any pass/ticket issued to me immediately to AMEY Client Transport, County Hall, Aylesbury HP20 1YZ.
- I accept responsibility for my child while he/she travels to and from school on the transport provided. I also realise that any instances of bad behaviour may result in transport facilities being withdrawn for a set period or permanently.
- I accept that I am responsible for my child until he/she is accepted on to the bus each morning and that **failure to produce a valid bus pass could result in my child being denied travel for the morning journey.**
- I authorise the Council to verify that I am eligible to receive Free School Meals

Signed

Full Name & Title of Parent/Carer

Date

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM OVERLEAF

**PLEASE ATTACH A
PHOTO WHICH MEETS
THE REQUIREMENTS
OF THE UK PASSPORT
AGENCY**

*Please ensure child's
name and date of birth are
on reverse*

Boarding Point Ref: