



2017/2018 SCHOOL BUS SERVICES

School Bus Fare & Travel Information

Igo Passes

If your child is aged 11 – 16, you need to purchase an Igo Pass to enable your child to pay the concessionary fare on buses in Greater Manchester. An Igo pass proves that your child is aged 16 or under and is valid until 31st August after their 16th birthday. Children who do not have Igo passes will continue to be charged a single fare of £1.70. Children without Igo passes are also unable to buy either returns or weekly tickets.

Concessionary Fares

If you are aged 16 or under you can travel for a concessionary fare on all buses in Greater Manchester. The concessionary fare for each bus journey is half the normal adult fare, no matter how far you travel on the bus. New fares are being introduced on Yellow School Buses and Transport for Greater Manchester's dedicated school services. These will be £1.30 for a single journey, £2.20 for a return fare and £7.00 for a school weekly ticket. There are still a number of school buses where fares are set by the operator and which will therefore be unaffected by these changes. Full details on which school services will be affected will be provided on www.tfgm.com before the start of the 2017/2018 new school year.

System One Travelcards

If you travel regularly, you can also buy special tickets that save you more money, but you must have an Igo Pass to buy these tickets. System One Travelcards are accepted by most bus, train and tram companies running locally, meaning you can transfer seamlessly from bus to bus or from one transport mode to the other (dependent upon which ticket is purchased from the range of tickets available), as many times as you want to. The System One Junior Bus Saver is a ticket available for 1, 7 and 28 days. System One tickets cost £2.80 for 1 day, £9.95 for 7 days and £35.75 for 28 days. These tickets need to be bought at a Travelshop or Pay Point Outlet. If you use smart ticketing (more information about this can be found on www.getmethere.com) there is a slight saving, £2.50 for 1 day, £9.00 for 7 days and £32.50 for 28 days. Please see www.systemonetravelcards.co.uk for more information.

Free travel to schools

If you live more than three miles from the school, you may be able to get free travel to and from the school. For more details please contact your Local Education Authority.

Travel Information

The following website provides details of tickets, fares, passes and concessions -

www.tfgm.com/journey_planning/Tickets/Pages/tickets.aspx.

For all your journey planning and ticketing questions:

Tel: 0871 200 2233 (7am – 8pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to 8pm at weekends and bank holidays - Calls cost 12p per minute plus your phone company's access charge.)

For further information about school bus services please visit www.tfgm.com/buses/Pages/school_services.aspx.