FROM A TO B



That first step on the road to something bigger starts with knowing how to get there.

Transport Guide 2025/26



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Subsidised Bus Service

As part of Macclesfield College's Transport Plan, which aims to reduce traffic volume, the College provides a subsidised bus service for full-time 16-18 year old students.

The following services are available depending on where you live:

- Alderley Edge
- Biddulph
- Bollington
- Buxton
- Chapel-en-le-Frith
- Congleton
- Disley
- Dove Holes
- Gawsworth

- Handforth
- Hazel Grove
- Heald Green
- Holmes Chapel
- Knutsford
 - Leek
 - Middlewich

- New Mills
- Offerton
- Pott Shrigley
- Poynton
- Stockport
- Tytherington
- Whaley Bridge

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• Wilmslow

Please note that where a contract service exists for your home area, this is the only service that the College will subsidise for you.

No support is provided for students living within 3 miles of the College.

All transport information is correct for September 2025, however, routes and pick up points may be reassessed at any time for operational and efficiency requirements.

All services are timetabled to arrive before 9.00am and will depart Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 4.40pm and Thursday at 4pm.

Public Transport

Students can choose to travel by public transport if there is no College service provided, e.g. Manchester or Sandbach.

Students will need to apply for the Financial assistance if you qualify for support with these costs. Students will be reimbursed their travel costs on a monthly basis (tickets or petrol costs based on mileage).

Please note that this support is means tested. The following restrictions apply to this assistance:

- Students who are eligible to travel on college buses but choose not to, will not be supported.
- No support is provided for students living within 3 miles of the College.
- Reimbursement is affected by attendance and students must maintain a minimum of 90% attendance to all aspects of the study programme.
- Taxi fares are not reimbursed.
- Charges incurred for parking e.g. permits or tickets from Macclesfield Bus or Train station to the College will not be reimbursed.

Students are expected to purchase tickets in advance direct from the operator, and seek the most cost-effective travel to them. Discount passes are recommended, but will not be reimbursed by the College e.g. Our Pass or Student Railcard

Application links will be sent to students who have completed their enrolment preparation form over the summer.

Full details of how to claim assistance will be all detailed when applying for financial assistance.

Other Support

If you do not qualify for travel support as you do not qualify for financial assistance or you live within the three mile radius, D&G and other local bus companies do have payment plans/monthly travel passes for students available.

Further information about local transport in the area can be found on the local council website.

If your child requires travel assistance, you will need to speak to your Local Authority to arrange this.

Bus Company Contact Details

Got a question about the location of a stop? Get in contact directly with our bus companies to help you travel confidently.

HOLLINSHEADS COACHES

01782 512 209

- Scholar Green, Congleton & Gawsworth
- Biddulph, Congleton & Bosley Crossroads

ATLANTIC EXECUTIVE TRAVEL

01706 622515

- Buxton
- New Mills, Marple, Disley & Whaley Bridge
- Poynton, Pott Shrigley, Bollington & Tytherington
- Middlewich, Holmes Chapel, Knutsford & Alderley Edge
- Stockport, Offerton & Hazel Grove

GOLDEN GREEN TRAVEL 01260 223 453

• Leek

ROY MCARTHY COACHES 01625 425 060

• Handforth & Wilmslow

College Bus Routes

The College provides a number of dedicated bus routes to help students travel safely and conveniently to and from campus. These services cover a wide range of local areas and are planned to align with the College timetable.

A full list of current routes is available below. Please note that, on occasion, routes may be subject to change due to circumstances beyond the College's control, such as severe weather or travel disruptions. We aim to provide as much notice as possible in these cases, so please check regularly for service updates.

Route 1 Buxton

Pick Up Points	AM
Chinley	7:30
Chapel-En-Le-Frith - Fosters	7:35
Dove Holes, Alex Road	7:40
St Peters, Fairfield	7:45
Working Mens Club	7:46
Buxton Market Place - Bryants	7:50
Harpur Hill - Trent Avenue	7:53

Route 2 New Mills, Marple, Disley & Whaley Bridge

Pick Up Points	АМ
New Mills - Bus Station Circle	7:30
Asda, Marple	7:38
New Houses (Old Marple College) Main road not down at the college	7:40
Bottom of Andrew Lane, High Lane	7:44
Dandy Cock Pub, Disley	7:48
Solider Dick, Furness Vale	7:52
Jodrell Arms, Whaley Bridge	8:00



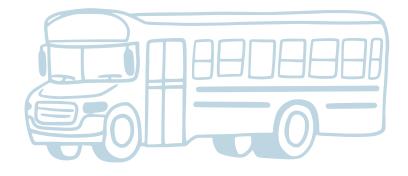
Route 3 Handforth & Wilmslow

Pick Up Points	АМ
Cheadle Hulme - Pointing Dog	7:30
Heald Green - the Griffin Pub	7:40
Handforth - Lakeland	7:44
Handforth - Pinewood Hotel	7:45
Handforth - Paddock	7:46
Handforth - Library	7:47
Handforth - Oaklands Close	7:50
Handforth - Dean Row Road / Lincoln Road	7:52
Handforth - Majestic Wines	7:56
Wilmslow - Styal Road	7:58
Wilmslow - Leisure Centre	8:01
Wilmslow - Coach & Four	8:02
Wilmslow - King Arms	8:04

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Poynton, Pott Shrigley, Bollington & Tytherington

Pick Up Points	АМ
Bramhall Green - Roundabout	7:30
Bramhall - Ravenoak Road	7:34
Bramhall - Woodford Road (Superdrug)	7:37
Poynton - Tern Drive	7:41
Poynton - Station	7:42
Poynton - Chester Rd / Clifford Road	7:43
Poynton Church	7:45
Poynton - London Road / Dickens Lane	7:46
Pott Shrigley - Church	8:01
Bollington - Turners Arms	8:04
Bollington - Council Offices	8:06
Bollington - Bayleaf Lounge Restaurant	8:07
Bollington - Henshall / South West Ave	8:08
Tytherington - Beech Lane Bus Stop	8:13



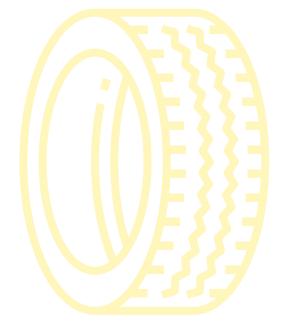
Middlewich, Holmes Chapel, Knutsford & Alderley Edge

Pick Up Points	АМ
Middlewich - Crossroads	7:16
Middlewich - Chester Rd / Croxton Lane	7:19
Holmes Chapel - Sandiford Road	7:32
Knutsford - Bus Station	7:52
Knutsford - St Cross Church	7:56
Knutsford - Fire Station	7:58
Mobberley - Post Office	7:59
Mobberley - Town Lane	8:01
Mobberley - Bird In Hand	8:05
Davenport Green - B506 / Brook Lane	8:08
Alderley Edge - Tower Garage	8:11
Alderley Edge - Chapel Road	8:12



Stockport, Offerton & Hazel Grove

Pick Up Points	AM
St Petersgate/Lord Street	7:32
Hall Street/Henry Street	7:35
Lisburne Lane/Marple Road	7:40
Offerton - Offerton Green / Marple Road	7:46
Stockport - Golf Club Entrance	7:48
Hazel Grove - Rising Sun	8:00
Hazel Grove - Five Ways (Esso Station)	8:02



Route 7 Scholar Green, Congleton & Gawsworth

Pick Up Points	АМ
Red Bull Traffic Lights	7:33
Bleeding Wolf	7:35
Stone Chair Lane	7:38
Padgbury Lane	7:43
Congleton High Box Lane	7:45
West Heath Aldi	7:48
Kwik Fit	7:50
Congleton Bus Station	8:00
Rood Hill / Norbury Drive	8:02
Lower Heath Road	8:03
Macclesfield Road / Plough Inn	8:05
Congleton Road / Shellow Lane	8:13
Gawsworth Crossroads	8:15

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Biddulph, Congleton & Bosley Crossroads

Pick Up Points	AM
Biddulph - Sainsbury's	7:30
Biddulph Rd / Mossley Corner	7:39
Biddulph Rd / Roseville Drive	7:40
Biddulph Rd / Henshall Hall	7:41
Hightown - Pet Stores	7:42
Hightown - Cross Lane	7:44
Canal Rd / Astbury Lane Ends	7:45
Canal Street - The Wharf Inn	7:46
Kinnet Drive / Highcroft Road	7:50
Moor Street	7:53
Buglawton Shop / St.Johns Road	7:55
Bosley Crossroad	8:00
Lyme Green Shell Garage	8:05



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Route 9 Leek

Pick Up Points	AM
Buxton Road, Novi Lane	7.31
Springfield Road, Ashbourne Road	7.34
Leek Bus Station	7.37
Broad Street, Daintry Street	7.41
Wallbridge Drive, Thornhill Road	7.44
Westwood Road, Barngate Street	7.47
Macclesfield Road, Kiln Lane	7.50



Golden Green Travel Contact Number: 01260 223 453

FAQ'S

We've compiled some of our FAQs below, which will help with any questions you might have.

When will my bus pass be issued?

Your bus pass will be included with your student ID badge during your first week.

What if I lose my pass?

If you lose your student ID badge (which also holds your bus pass), there will be a £5 replacement charge.

I've withdrawn from my course. Can I get a refund on my bus pass?

Refunds depend on the time of year. You may be eligible for a full or partial refund. Please contact the Finance Office for more information.

Can I take a friend home with me?

The pass is issued for your use only. It can't be used for additional passengers.

Are buses running on induction week?

All buses will operate from the 1st September and you will be able to travel without lanyard for the first week.

How does the bus pass work?

Your bus pass is linked to your student ID badge, so make sure to keep it safe!

If you do have any questions please do get in touch! We are always happy to help.

FAQ'S Continued

Can I pay for just one journey instead of buying the annual pass? The pass is only available as an annual purchase.

I travel between two households and the bus routes are different. Will I have to pay twice?

You can add up to two bus routes onto your pass, so you can travel between without extra charges.

What happens if it snows?

Got a

question?

You can find updates on our social media platforms and direct messages will be sent out via the College. Please make sure that your contact details are correct and up to date on our system.

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