

Travel and Financial Support Information

If your child will be travelling to school by bus or train, there are several ways in which we can help.

Travel by Bus

Passes for use on Stagecoach buses are available. You simply need to complete the application form and return it to us with two passport photographs (or take a 'passport style' photograph on your mobile and email it to us). Once the pass has arrived, we will invoice you for the annual cost. You don't have to pay for it all at once though, you can pay: weekly, monthly, all in one go, whichever suits your personal circumstances the best. The full cost of the pass **must** be paid for by the end of July 2024.

For students in years 9 – 11 the cost of an annual pass is £648.00, which works out at £3.41 per day. Students who live relatively close to the UTC may find it cheaper to purchase a daily/weekly/monthly ticket directly from the coach company.

For our sixth form students, the cost of an annual pass is £756. However, North Lincolnshire Council are offering a grant of £315 towards the cost of Post 16 travel. The UTC will also utilise some of its 16-19 discretionary bursary funding to contribute a further £299 towards the cost of each ticket. This leaves an overall annual cost to parents of £142 for the year.

Hornsby's use the myTrip App, which allows you to purchase bus tickets for use on their services (please see the Hornsby links on our website for more information).

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide bus passes for students travelling on East Yorkshire buses.

Payments for bus passes can be made by cheque, standing order or via internet banking using the following account details:

Engineering UTC Northern Lincolnshire

Sort code: 30-97-44

Account number: 51237168

Reference: Student's name

Travel by Train

Purchasing a season ticket from National Rail can help to reduce the cost of travel to/from the UTC. Please visit their website for more details:

https://www.nationalrail.co.uk/times_fares/season-tickets.aspx. Children aged 5 – 15 inclusive receive a 50% discount on most tickets. Once your child turns 16, it may be worth purchasing a 16-17 railcard, as this offers 50% off many services. More information on railcards can be found at: https://www.nationalrail.co.uk/times_fares/National-Railcards.aspx.

Support with Travel Costs

Years 9 - 11

If you are currently in receipt of benefits and/or your child is currently in receipt of free school meals, we may be able to offer some support towards the cost of travel. Please complete and return the 'Application Form to Support Travel Costs', along with copies of any appropriate evidence. All applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis; we may be able to offer up to 50% towards the cost of travel from our hardship and bursary funds.

Years 12 & 13

If you live in North Lincolnshire, and more than 3 miles from the Engineering UTC Northern Lincolnshire, you will be entitled to a travel grant of £105 per term (£315 per year), towards the cost of travel. If you apply for a bus pass, the grant will automatically be used towards the cost of the pass; however, if you are travelling by car/scooter etc. the grant will be paid to you to help with your travel expenses.

Additional Financial Support for Sixth Form Students

Post 16 Bursary

Additional financial support is available for our sixth form students – please see the 16 – 19 bursary policy on our website. The full bursary, of up to £1,200, is available for students who are:

- Young people in care
- Care leavers (ESFA class 'care leavers' as young people aged 18-21 who have been looked after for more than 13 weeks or since the age of 14; or young people who cease to be looked after or accommodated)
- Students claiming Income Support or Universal Credit (in their own name)
- Disabled students receiving both Employment Support and Disability Living Allowance or PIP

The 'Eligible to Apply' bursary is available based on the following criteria:

- A household income of below £25,000 (this includes Universal Credit)
- A student currently entitled to Free School Meals
- A student whose parents are currently claiming other means-tested benefits including Income Support, Working Tax Credit/ Child Tax Credit, Income Based Employment and Support Allowance (ESA), who is not entitled to free school meals
- At the decision of the Principal, any student who does not fall under the categories listed above, but consider themselves to be in financial hardship
- Students who are young carers and are not in receipt of a carer's allowance

If you have any queries regarding transport, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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