

TRAVEL SCHEMES - 2022/2023

All information below is a guide. Please check the College website from mid/end July 2022 when updated travel information will be published. If you would like to be placed on a mailing list for WUC transport information or for the current public transport discounts/ Local Council Assistance Schemes to be emailed to you when they become available in mid/end July 2022, request an information pack by contacting the Transport Department via the email address below.

Below listed details of travel assistance schemes and public transport discounts. Each student should research their own individual transport requirements and select the most cost-effective transport service that meets their requirements. All the details below may be subject to change.

Information available for the Writtle University College Transport Office:

Email: transport@writtle.ac.uk

Telephone: 01245 424262

WRITTLER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE TRANSPORT SERVICES

Writtle University College Chelmsford Shuttle Service

No fee or prior booking necessary

Writtle University College currently operates a Writtle College Shuttle Bus Service from and to Chelmsford Railway/Bus Station area on a first come first serve basis during **FE term times only**. The minibuses stop in Coval Lane, Chelmsford, (by the Council Offices).

- **Shuttle Service Times:** (Location of pickup can be viewed on the University College web site).
- **Morning:** 08:00 to 09:15 Mon – Fri – Full service
- **Day:** 10:00 to 16:15 Mon – Fri – Limited service
- **Evening:** 16:15 to 18:00 Mon – Fri – Full service

(Service times will be published nearer start of the Academic Year)

Financial Assistance Scheme - Writtle University College

Students who are experiencing financial difficulty must apply to their local County Council for assistance in the first instance (Post 16 Transport). If students are unable to get financial assistance from their Local County Council, they can apply for help (up to 50%) from the WUC means-tested bursary/support fund. Application forms will be available from week beginning 6th September 2022 after the student has enrolled, but may not be able to assist with the initial first payment.

For details, contact Student Finance:

Telephone: 01245 424228 (term time only 10am-2.30pm)

Email: bursaries@writtle.ac.uk

TRAVEL SCHEMES– LOCAL COUNCIL/PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Further Education Students Local Councils

Each council has its own transport policy, and information relates only to students living within Essex. We therefore suggest that you contact the council, specific to where you live to discuss schemes operating in your area and check that the service selected is the most cost effective.

Essex County Council - Post 16 Transport

Students can apply for Post-16 transport assistance from Essex County Council if you are under 19 at the beginning of the academic year and met their criteria. Students will need to apply direct to Essex County Council for eligibility.

For further information contact:

Telephone: 0845 603 2200

Website: www.essex.gov.uk/schooltransport

(look for – Post 16 transport)

Email: educationawards@essex.gov.uk

Southend City Council (SCC)

There is a scheme for students over the age of 16 and up to 19, transport awards are discretionary. If students live in the City of Southend-on-Sea they can apply direct to SCC for eligibility to travel under the Post 16 Transport Scheme.

Telephone: 01702 215007

Website: www.southend.gov.uk

Thurrock Borough Council (TBC)

Thurrock will only consider travel assistance for students who have an EHCP with special needs. Families with students without special needs should be applying for a 16-19 bursary to support transport costs. There has not yet been a decision as to whether we will charge for the transport provided for SEN students. The updated policy statement and webpage will be available as from the 31st May 2022.

Website Link: www.thurrock.gov.uk/home-to-school-travel-support/support-for-learners-over-16-years-old

Greater Anglia Trains - Scholars Season Ticket

Discounts: 16 -19 years old - substantial discounts

Booking available from August 2022

To make a booking please either:

Telephone: 0345 600 7245 – Option 3, then option 2

Website: www.greateranglia.co.uk/tickets

(Look for Tickets & Fares - School/College travel discounts)

The New 16-17 Railcard - 50% off rail fares

If you're aged 16 or 17, you can now enjoy 50% off standard [Anytime, Off-Peak, Advance and Season tickets](#).

A 16-17 Saver is **just £30** and is valid for one year or until your 18th birthday, whichever comes first.

Telephone: 0345 301 1656

Website: www.16-17saver.co.uk/where-to-buy/

The 16-25 Railcard

Save 1/3 off a wide range of tickets.

For further details and restrictions:

Telephone: 0345 3000 250

Website: www.16-25railcard.co.uk

In person: At a staffed station

First Essex Buses

First Buses to offer students discounted tickets through the Student Travel Club. Tickets will be available from August.

Details on discounts and how to apply are published on the University College website in July 2022.

Website: writtle.ac.uk/transport

Arriva Bus Services - Student saver

Arriva Saver Direct Debit Tickets – Mobile device follow link: www.arrivabus.co.uk/business-travel/student-and-child-direct-debit-tickets (look for 'student saver tickets')

You will need to select ticket option 'Herts and Essex' and select the zone for your travel which will be the 'Student - All Zone' ticket.

For any queries regarding the scheme, please email:

talktous@arriva.co.uk

Daily, Weekly, 4 Weekly, Annual or Summer tickets -
<https://www.arrivabus.co.uk/buy-tickets/region/herts-and-essex/zone/asc043>