

BUS SERVICES TO WAITAKERE COLLEGE

ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHOOL TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE

Students must meet all 3 of the following eligibility criteria to get school transport assistance;

1. The school must be the closest school.
2. Be at least 4.8km from the school (from roadside gate to schools front gate)
3. That there is no suitable public transport options within 2.4km (from both roadside gate and closest school)

Waitakere College is part of the West Auckland Cluster Bus Plan. A number of West Auckland Schools will be using the same buses and the funding for the bus routes is controlled by the Ministry of Education.

There is a transfer station at Starling Park in Ranui, where most students will have to change buses depending on the secondary school they attend.

The three routes available to Waitakere College students are:

Bethells: M.O.E route number 1616

Wairere: M.O.E route number 1975.

Please note that there is now a charge for using this service of \$3 per ride or \$25 for 10 Trip concession card. The driver will accept cash and tickets can also be purchased from the Ritchies office Mon – Fri 4:30-9pm with cash or EFTPOS.

There are several alternative transport options possible. Students can catch:

- Auckland Transport bus 146 from Waitakere train station which drops passengers at the end of Rathgar Road (Universal end).
- Auckland Transport bus 146 from Waitakere Train Station get dropped off at Swanson Train Station and catch the train to Sturges Road.
- The Scenic Drive bus on Scenic Drive before it meets Te Henga Rd.

Scenic Drive: M.O.E route number 1628

Routes for these M.O.E buses are listed further on.

Some students who catch these buses will be eligible for school transport assistance.

If the student is ineligible, they may be able to catch the bus if there is room.

We also have another school bus service available for Waitakere College students which is fare paying but subsidised by Auckland Transport (AT):

West Harbour: Route 050

The route for this is listed further on.

Other public bus services in the area may be available; Go to Auckland Transport's website: at.govt.nz Click on their link [Auckland Transport Journey Planner](#) to plan your journey.

You may also download the [AT mobile app](#) for your electronic devices.

Travel by train is an alternative. Where possible, we encourage students to walk or ride their bike to school.

For cheaper fares go to AT website which has information on how to get a student AT HOP card.

Our school website has route information and links to Auckland Transport. Visit www.waitakerecollege.school.nz

For further information about our College buses, contact the school on 09 836 7890 or Ritchies.

BUS ROUTES

M.O.E Route Number 1616: BETHELLS

7.45am McKay Pl, Bethells Rd, Right into Te Hunga Rd, Left into Scenic Drive via Swanson Rd, Left into Luanda Dr, Right into Waitemata Dr.

8.15am Stop at Starling Park. Transfer to Scenic Drive Bus (1628), Continue on Waitemata Dr, Left into Swanson Rd, Left into Larnoch Rd, Right into Rathgar Rd, Left into Liston College. Waitakere College students disembark.

3.25pm Waitakere College, Liston College on Edwards Ave, Left into Rathgar Rd, Pick up at St. Dominics, Right into Swanson Rd via Scenic Dr, Right into Te Hunga Rd, Left into Bethells Rd, Finish at McKay Rd.

M.O.E Route Number 1975: WAIRERE

7.20am Corner of Bethells and Duffy Rd, Left into Wairere Rd, Turn onto Jonkers Rd, Return to Wairere Rd, Left into Bethells Rd, Right into Anzac Valley Rd, Turn at Wendy Rd, Back down Anzac Valley Rd, Right into Bethells Rd, Right into Waitakere Rd, Left into Scenic Dr via Swanson Rd, Left into Luanda Dr, Right into Waitakere Dr.

7.50am Stop at Starling Park. Transfer to Scenic Drive Bus (1628). Continue on Waitemata Dr, Left into Swanson Rd, Left into Larnoch Rd, Right into Rathgar Rd, Left into Liston College-Waitakere College where students disembark.

3.25pm Waitakere College, Liston College, Edwards Ave, Left into Rathgar Rd, Pick up St. Dominics, Right into Waitakere Rd, Left into Bethells Rd, Right into Wairere Rd, Turn at Jonkers Rd, Back along Wairere Rd, Right into Duffy Rd, Finish at Bethells and Duffy Roads Corner.

M.O.E Route Number 1628: SCENIC DRIVE

7.45am Pick up from Te Hunga Rd, Turn off (up to Mountain Rd), return to Scenic Dr via Swanson Rd, Right into Christian Rd, left into O'Neills Rd, Left onto Candia Rd, Left into Swanson Rd, Swanson Primary School, Left into Swanson Rd, Left into Luanda Dr, Right into Waitemata Dr.

8.15am Stop at Starling Park, Continue on Waitemata Dr, Left into Swanson Rd, Left into Larnoch Rd, Right into Rathgar Rd, Left into Liston College-Waitakere College students disembark.

3.10 pm Waitakere College, Liston College, Edwards Ave, Left into Rathgar Rd, Pick up at St. Dominics, Right into Swanson Rd, Left into North Candia Rd, Right into O'Neills Rd, Right into Christian Rd, Left into Swanson Rd, Via Scenic Dr, Finish at Mountain Rd.

Route 050: WEST HARBOUR

7.27 am Hobsonville Rd opp. Westpark Dr, Hobsonville Rd, Marina View, Luckens, West Harbour Dr, Moire, Luckens, Hobsonville, Oriel, Moire, Granville, Royal, Makora (over motorway bridge), Triangle, Waimumu, Don Buck, Universal, Rathgar, Liston College (approx. 8.08am), Rathgar (Waitākere College). Students disembark.

3.30 pm Waitākere College, Liston College (approx. 3.35pm), Rathgar, Universal, Don Buck, Waimumu, Triangle, Makora, Royal, Granville, Moire, Luckens, Hobsonville, Oriel, Moire, West Harbour, Luckens, Hobsonville, Marina View (to stop after corner Wisely Rd).

For times and the most up to date information about routes please contact the Ritchies office on 833 6053.