



TAURANGA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

There are a range of buses that link with Tauranga Intermediate. Taking a bus to school can make parents and students nervous so the best thing to do is to be prepared and understand your bus route. Here are some tips that may help you organise yourself:

Before School:

- * Be **punctual** at your bus stop - get there at least 5 minutes prior to the time advised by the bus provider
- * **Behave** - you are the window to our school and the public often contact us telling us how good you are
- * If your bus does not come **don't panic** - stay at the bus stop as your bus is more than likely caught up in the traffic
- * After a reasonable time if there is still no bus contact Uzabus 07 578 3113 for (TTNG buses (rural white buses) and for Hopper (yellow or blue) 0800 200 569 in the first instance. *(buses suffer from the same congestion and accident issues that everyone else does and historically it takes the month of February for traffic flows to settle)*
- * **Respect the bus** - do not eat food on the bus and do not leave rubbish behind, place it in the bin
- * Once you have your bus pass - be **responsible** and look after it. Present it so that it can be seen
- * **Share** the bus - no one owns a particular seat or area of the bus

After School:

- * Be **punctual** to bus lines, sitting in a row quietly behind the appropriate bus number
- * **Listen carefully** - When your bus number is called you will be asked to stand and leave the field through one of the gaps in the fence to your waiting bus
- * **Be mindful of other students** on your bus- students who push in may be removed from the bus network. Be considerate of others
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- * **Share** the bus - no one owns a particular seat or area of the bus
- * Take **ownership** - if you miss your bus you must go to the office to make alternative arrangements

Lost Property

Most Tauranga Intermediate school bus services are operated by NZ Bus. For BayHopper services and school services, please contact NZ Bus on 0800 200 569. For all rural buses contact Uzabus on 578 3113.

Behaviour:

We expect only the highest standards from our students. If there is a concern, see Mr Hansen immediately and he will endeavour to resolve it. All students using a school bus must sign a Bus Contract outlining behaviour expectations while riding on the bus. If these expectations are broken, students may lose the privilege of using the bus network.

Specific bus provider and route information can be found on the following pages.

Kind regards

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Urban School Buses (Regional Council)

School buses are available across the wider Tauranga region for students, in addition to the public bus service.

- **School Bus 801a** FREE For those who live in or near Maungatapu/Windermere
- **School Bus 802a** FREE For those who live in or near Ohauti
- **School Bus 804a** FREE For those who live in or near Welcome Bay and Osprey Drive
- **School Bus 804b** FREE For those who live in or near Waikite Road and include Ranginui Road and Corinna Street
- **School Bus 806c** FREE For those who live in or near The Lakes
- **School Bus 807** FREE For those who live in or near Freeburn Road
- **School Bus 808a** FREE For those who live in or near Cambridge Road (NB drop off and pick up on Fraser Street)
- **School Bus 903d** FREE For those who live in or near Pyes Pa Cheyne Rd/Inverness Drive

For more information please visit : [Urban School Bus Routes](#)

Rural Buses TTNG (Tauranga Transport Network Group)

This is the hub for all rural school transport information for the Tauranga Transport Network Group. For more information on routes etc please visit their website: [Rural Bus Routes TTNG](#)

2024 Bus pass ordering system now live

Students travelling on TTNG buses must order a bus pass through the TTNG website rather than at school offices. The purpose of the bus pass system is to better manage the TTNG network of 24 bus routes.

The majority of students on TTNG are travelling to their nearest school. This means that they are entitled to a free bus pass. Students travelling to a school out of their school zone, however, are required to purchase a bus pass. To order a bus pass, please click [here](#).

There are a range of buses that can be connected to Tauranga Intermediate routes. The following are buses that all leave TIS in the afternoon:

- **R1** For those who live in or near rural Welcome Bay
- **R3** For those who live in or near Kaitemako Road
- **R4** For those who live in or near rural Ohauti Road - Rowe Road
- **R6** For those who live in or near rural Oropi - Warner Road
- **R8** For those who live in or near rural Pyes Pa - Taumata Road
- **R9** For those who live in or near rural Pyes Pa - Joyce Road
- **R13** For those who live in or near rural Kaimai
- **R17** For those who live in or near rural Pahoia
- **R20** For those who live in or near Te Puna
- **R23** For those who live in or near rural Omokoroa

BayHopper Public Buses

All passengers aged 5-18 years will need a Bee card* when using the public buses in order to receive free bus travel.

Note that cash fares are still accepted too - students should either be in school uniform or have their student ID ready to show the driver so their concession (discounted fare) can be applied on boarding.

School students in uniform can travel for free on school day before 9:00 a.m. and between 2:30 - 6:30 p.m.

This applies to all dedicated school services and BayHopper services, excluding Te Puke, Katikati and Omokoroa services.

During other other times the fare is \$2.00 cash or \$1.60 with a Bee card. Please note students using BayHopper Public Buses must purchase and register a Bee card and are responsible for making their own way to public bus stops. For more information please visit [Public BayHopper](#).