

Stockton Sixth Form College

Supporting Student Success

HALF FARE TRAVEL PERMITS

This pass will provide you with UNLIMITED half fare bus travel and costs just £8. However it is free if your parent(s) qualify for certain benefits – see guidelines below.

- Additional half fare bus pass application forms are available from reception
- Students eligible for a free pass should first take the completed form and the appropriate evidence to reception where it will be authorised.
- Completed forms, together with £8 (if not authorised as above) **and** student ID card, should be taken to the LRC as soon as possible.

Bus passes will be available from the LRC and will usually be ready the day after the application is received. Please take your tear-off slip with you when you go to collect it.

Late applications can be made at any time at the LRC.

Guidelines (from Stockton Borough Council)

1. Students are entitled to a pass if they are between 16 and 19 years old. (Date of birth falls within September 1992 to August 1995).
2. To qualify for a Stockton half fare pass, students **must** reside in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees. Haverton Hill, Port Clarence and Maltby ARE in Stockton District but the following are not: **Hutton Rudby, Crathorne, Low Worsall, Bishopton, Little Stainton, Great Stainton, Sadberge, Sedgfield, parts of Whitton, Thorpe Larches, Middleton St. George, County Durham, Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough and Redcar and Cleveland.** Students living in these areas should apply to the authority in which they live for any equivalent concessions.
3. A £8 fee must be collected from each student qualifying for a pass.
4. Certain students may however obtain a **free** pass if their parents are in receipt of either:
 - a. Income Support (IS)
 - b. Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
 - c. an income-related employment and support allowance (this benefit was introduced on 27th October 2008)
 - d. support under part VI of the immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - e. Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs) that as of **April 2011** does not exceed **£16,190**
 - f. Guarantee part of Pension Credit**OR** g. If the student receives Income Support or Income Based Jobseekers Allowance in their own right.
5. If a student applies for a free pass he/she must present evidence to the college in the form of an official letter, benefit book etc.