

School Transport Assistance Program for Students with Disabilities

Parents and Carers Program Overview

It is the responsibility of Queensland parents and carers to make suitable travel arrangements for their child between home and school. Where you identify challenges in fulfilling this responsibility for your child with a disability, you can request an assessment for eligibility from this program.

Assessment

An assessment considering disability and enrolment criteria is completed at the school by a teacher trained in this procedure (School Transport Assessor). The transport assessor will explain the assessment process to you. You and other relevant stakeholders will be asked to provide information to accurately complete this assessment.

The assessor will discuss your [responsibilities](#) to support your child's safe travel between home and school in relation to one of the following transport assistance types:

- *Conveyance* – an allowance for parent/carers who arrange for their child to be privately transported to school
- *Category 1* – public transport passes (bus, rail or ferry)
- *Category 2* – specially contracted minibus or taxi.

Recommendation

The transport assessor determines and recommends your child's eligibility for assistance and where eligible the most appropriate available transport type. Where eligibility is recommended you will receive a copy of the application. You will be asked to complete and return the page with the *Parent/Carer Declaration* section.

The transport assessor will submit the application for decision making by the Principal Advisor Education Services or delegate at the relevant regional office. You will be advised in writing of the transport application decision. If you have grounds to appeal this decision, you will be provided with the information for the appeal process.

Approved applications are forwarded to the Department of Transport and Main Roads for arrangement of transport. Where there are issues with transport availability further discussion may be required.

Review

The assessor is required to review approved transport arrangements by the review date (maximum 12 months). Any change in your child's circumstances that may affect transport arrangements will require an immediate review of eligibility and/or arrangements.

Further information

The [School Transport Assistance for Students with Disabilities](#) procedure provides further information regarding this program.