

St Paul's Bus Information

SCHOOL TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE SCHEME - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS / GUARDIANS

Brisbane Bus Lines (BBL) operates contracted school services in a number of areas under the Queensland Governments "School Transport Assistance Scheme" (STAS). This scheme is available to all Students who reside more than 3.2 kilometers for Primary Schoolers or 4.8 kilometers for High Schoolers from their nearest state school. In effect, many students in these areas are eligible for government subsidized transport to school.

Samford Village, Samford Valley, Highvale, Wights Mountain, Camp Mountain, Cedar Creek, Mount Samson, Closeburn, Dayboro, Yugar, Draper, Eatons Hill, Bunya

STAS eligibility is not means tested.

The scheme pays the fares of eligible students directly to the approved transport provider for each contract area or route, basically on a monthly cycle. For this to occur, each students Parent or Guardian is required to apply directly to the service provider using the relevant STAS application form which is then returned to the transport provider (BBL).

As the fare paid by the government is based on the nearest State Primary or High school the distance travelled to the students' school of choice may exceed the applicable distance of the fare paid. This is the case for St Pauls. In these cases, an additional fare known as a "Top-up", is paid by the student directly to the transport provider which compensates for the extra distance.

As explained above, it is the student who receives the benefit of free or discounted travel through the governments STAS payment arrangement. This is a benefit that is available to all those who qualify so if your child uses any BBL school service you are urged to apply for STAS.