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Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you with an update regarding our transport provision for the 2023/2024 academic year. We regularly review our transport provision to ensure wide coverage of routes for students across the Doncaster, North Lincolnshire and North Nottinghamshire areas. We are pleased to announce that the following additions will be made to the existing routes from September 2023:

Route 7	Increased capacity around the Isle of Axholme, Route 7 will collect students in and around Haxey*
Route 9	Route 9 will start in Edlington, with services from Tait Avenue and along Edlington Lane before continuing on its current route*
Route 11	This service will formally commence from Hatfield Woodhouse, providing additional capacity for Hatfield and Dunsville

* Updated timings for all routes will be finalised later in the academic year

The price of a college bus pass for the academic year 2023-24 will be **£325**. This equates to approximately 91p per journey. We have worked hard with our transport providers to ensure that any increases in the cost of the bus pass are below the headline rate of inflation and this transport provision continues to be very heavily subsidised by the college.

Students currently in Year 12 are able to buy next year's bus pass from **Tuesday 20th June to Tuesday 4th July** from the LRC Payment Desk. It is strongly advised that Year 12 students purchase passes during this time to guarantee a place on their bus route prior to the enrolment of new students in August. Please be aware that if you try to purchase a bus pass at the start of the autumn term it is likely that some buses will have no remaining availability. Students have the option of paying in full between these dates or paying a deposit of £175 followed by an additional payment of £150 by Friday 15th September 2023.

For anyone currently in receipt of financial assistance from the college for transport, there is no need to reapply for the next academic year. If you feel you may be eligible for additional support please visit <https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/supporting-you-financially/>

We are currently in the process of finalising timings for all routes and this will be communicated to all students by the end of the academic year. In the meantime, you are able to check all transport updates on our website: <https://ncdoncaster.ac.uk/travel/>

Yours sincerely



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