

RIVERSIDE SEND TRANSPORT APPLICATIONS

For parents and their children starting new Haringey special school placements in September 2022

Please remember to make your transport applications for your child's transport offer for September 2022, once you have the new special school destination for your child. You can start applying as soon as you receive written confirmation of your child's place.

To apply for transport, go to the website ***SEND Haringey Local Offer – For Children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities – Quick Links – School Transport – Apply for SEN Transport and Travel assistance (red button)***

When completing the application you will need to give a clear explanation of your child's difficulties, be they physical, emotional, psychological/psychiatric or behavioural, the level of the complexity of their learning disability and how this impacts on their ability to be independent. Do not forget to state any difficulties your child may have that are specific to transport e.g. motion sickness, needing to sit in a certain place on the bus.

You will need to show why it is not possible for you or another family member to bring your child into school daily yourself.

If successful you will be allocated a central pick-up point where you should take your child to meet the bus once school starts.

You can also ask for travel-buddying on this form. This is where a travel buddy goes to the family home in the morning to take students into school on public transport, returning them home at the end of the day.

You do not need to attach your child's EHCP (Education, Health and Care Plan) to these applications as these will be provided by the SEND team for all applications that are made.

Please make sure you state your child's current school, and the special school they will be attending in September 2022 in your application.

Riverside School can provide travel-training for your child on request from September. This is offered to students who have the potential to travel safely. Our independent travel trainer is fully qualified and keeps parents informed as to how their child is getting on throughout the training.

If you experience difficulty completing the transport application form you can seek help by contacting Haringey's SEND information, Advice & Support Service (*SENDIASS*) at the *Markfield Project*: <http://www.markfield.org.uk/> Their webpage will explain how they can be contacted.
