

Portland

Student Travel Information & Timetable 2019-20



How are you going to travel?

Weymouth College Travel Shop

Fleet Restaurant

Opening Hours

Monday 09:00hr—17:00hr

Tuesday 09:00hr—17:00hr

Wednesday 09:00hr—17:00hr

Thursday 09:00hr—17:00hr

Friday 09:00hr—16:30hr

Opening hours will be adhered to whenever possible unless such circumstance dictates otherwise.

Travel & Transport Manager : Pete Atkins 01305 764766

Any concerns when the Travel Shop is closed are to be addressed to the Reception 01305 761100

Welcome to Weymouth College

This booklet will help you make the best use of the Student Travel Service here at Weymouth College.

It is specifically designed for students who travel from Portland, so you can see at a glance how easy it is to get to Weymouth College.

As you work through the booklet it will hopefully answer all of your questions but if you have others please contact us – the numbers are at the back.

Do I qualify for a travel pass?

The college offers assistance for students, who live on Portland and are attending a full-time course.

The Transport Department can offer assistance for students aged 16-18. Anyone else requiring financial assistance needs to apply to SSF, contact 01305 764807.

How much will I need to contribute?

The college uses a subsidised fixed contribution rate for all students and this year (2019- 2020) it has been set at £530.00.

Can I spread the payments.

The college offers a payment plan under Direct Debit of 3 equal instalments, 1 payment upfront and 2 by direct debit with an admin fee of £20. A Direct Debit mandate is available on the web page.

Is there a deduction for those in receipt of benefits? - See student support for advice on this

The College has a discretionary fund which is part funded by the Government and the college, it is administered by the College to assist students experiencing financial hardship.

Funding is limited and offered on a **first come first served basis**. It is to help towards course related costs **including transport**.

Each application to the discretionary support fund will be individually assessed on its own merits and will be subject to the availability of funds. If your application is successful, you will be advised of the total amount awarded.

Application forms can be obtained from Student Services or downloaded from the college website.

I have a disability or medical condition that requires specialist transport. Is there additional help?

There are funds available to assist students with their travel to the college and if you require alternative forms of transport please contact Student Support for further guidance.

How do I apply?

On the college web site you will find an application form, please fill this out and return to college or bring it in with you at your enrolment.

Prior to attending enrolment please download the First Dorset bus app to your smart phone. This will speed up the process of obtaining your pass.

When should I apply?

Applications should be returned as soon as possible. Even if you are unsure of your choices until you have received your results, it is still advisable to make an application for transport now. If you then decide not to join Weymouth College we will cancel your pass and give you a full refund.

When will my pass be available to me?

If you have applied for a travel pass by 20th August 2019 your pass will be ready for issue at your enrolment interview. Cheques will not be cashed until the Bus Pass is issued.

However, if you apply for your pass at enrolment interview, or later you will be responsible for your own travel costs until the pass can be issued. In these circumstances you will not be entitled to a refund for the fares incurred.

What if I apply on the first day?

Applications received on the first day will not be eligible for a refund and you will be responsible for your own travel costs until your pass is available.

Can I use my pass if I have to stay late?

Yes, your pass can be used at any point throughout the day on all First services to Portland, Dorchester and services around Weymouth. Full timetables are available from the Travel Centre.

I have a friend that wishes to travel home with me?

The College utilises a public service bus on this route. Your friend can purchase a ticket on the bus, as would a member of the public.

What if I leave the college?

The College pays full face value for each ticket. You are purchasing an annual Bus pass from First which is then being subsidised by the college and belongs to you and goes with you. You can continue to use the bus pass for the life of that pass.

If you leave college you will be responsible for paying the difference between the subsidised value and full face value to the college. You cannot return the pass and gain a refund.

Where are the bus stops at college?

There are some services that stop at the college bus stop on site by Fleet building and other services travel along Dorchester Road only a short walk from site.

Can my pass be withdrawn?

Students are advised that the college reserves the right to withdraw travel assistance if a student misbehaves or if there is any abuse of the system. Passes must not be lent to, or borrowed by other students under any circumstances as this may lead to disciplinary action.

Can I Use my Car instead?

The College encourages the use of public transport wherever possible. if you drive your car you will not be able to claim for petrol. Anyone who is not on a public transport route should seek advice from the Transport Manager.

The college has sufficient parking for all students that bring their cars to college but you must apply for a parking permit and a contribution is required. Failure to display a valid College permit will possibly result in a penalty charge notice being issued.

Some Useful Transport Contact Information:

Damory Coaches – 01258 452545

First Hampshire & Dorset – 01305 783645 www.firstgroup.com

Wilts & Dorset Bus Co – 01202 673555 www.wdbus.co.uk

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Easton Square	0736	0749	0802	0815	0828	0841	0854	0907	0920	0933
Portland Victoria Square	0743	0756	0809	0822	0835	0848	0901	0914	0927	0940
Wyke Regis Smugglers	0751	0804	0817	0830	0843	0856	0909	0922	0935	0948
Commercial Road	0802	0815	0828	0841	0854	0907	0920	0933	0946	0959
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Easton Square	1616	1628	1640	1852	1904	mins	1828	1842	mins	1857
Portland Ripcroft	1622	1634	1646	1858	1910	until	1834	1847	at	1802

The 1722 from Weymouth starts at 1714 at Weymouth College on schooldays only.

We hope you have found this booklet helpful. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us using the address or telephone number below.

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