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SCHOOL TRIP SUBSIDY CHANGES

The Private Vehicle Conveyance subsidy is being phased out and will be replaced by the School Drive Subsidy. More details overleaf.



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What's happening?

From 20 December 2016, the Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy will be progressively phased out and replaced by the School Drive Subsidy. The deadline for new applications for the existing PVC subsidy is 20 December 2016.

Parents or guardians currently receiving the existing PVC subsidy can choose to stay on it or switch to the new School Drive Subsidy after 17 January 2017. If they want to remain on the existing PVC subsidy, they don't need to do anything.

What is the main change?

For parents/guardians driving one or more students from the same household to the nearest public transport pick up point or to school, the new School Drive Subsidy will be paid 'per trip' (for the complete school trip). This 'per trip' payment is different from the current PVC subsidy, which is paid 'per student'.

Note, parents/guardians can't be on two schemes at the same time.

If new students are added after 17 January 2017, **all** eligible students will automatically go onto the new School Drive Subsidy, including existing PVC subsidy students.

How to help parents and guardians make the right choice

- Give the parent or guardian the brochure entitled 'School trip subsidy changes'.
- Reassure them that they can find out more at transport.nsw.gov.au/schooldrive
- The website also has an **online comparison calculator** where parents/guardians can check which of the two subsidy schemes is better for them based on their own individual circumstances.
- If they have more than one student on the existing PVC subsidy, they should consider staying on it.

More questions?

If you have questions about the PVC subsidy or the School Drive Subsidy for parents and guardians of children at your school, call **131 500**.



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