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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS AND THEIR STUDENTS USING PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Dear Principal,

Public Transport Victoria would like to share some public transport ticketing information which may be of use to your school and school community:

2025 Student Pass and concession fares

The Victorian Student Pass is priced at \$755 (Yearly) or \$393 (Half-yearly).

Alternatively, students can pay as they go with myki Money:

- \$3.50 per day (Daily concession Zone 2)
- \$5.50 per day (Daily concession Zone 1+2)

PTV Approved School Student ID

Hundreds of Victorian schools (including Tarneit Senior College) are participating in the PTV Approved School Student ID program, making it easier for students and their parents to access concession fares and student pass products.

The PTV Approved School Student ID is effectively your school's student ID card with the PTV logo. This flexible option means students no longer need to arrange, pay for and carry the dedicated PTV School Student ID (available from stations/ticket agents for \$9) to travel on student passes or concession fares.

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure they carry valid proof of concession entitlement (PTV Approved School Student ID or PTV School Student ID) when travelling with a Student Pass, or risk receiving a fine from an Authorised Officer. The PTV Approved School Student ID does not need to be valid for the duration of the student pass being purchased, only at the time of purchase.

Prepay Buses

A reminder that cash transactions have been permanently removed from myki-enabled buses in support of safer bus journeys and the rollout of all door boarding.

So parents and students can ensure they continue to travel with a valid ticket, we request you communicate the many alternatives available to cash payments onboard buses, including:

- Instant myki Money top up via the PTV app
- Online at ptv.vic.gov.au/myki
- Auto top up
- myki retailers
- Quick top up machines
- myki machines
- ticket offices including train stations and PTV Hub

Using the PTV app to check a myki card balance and instantly top up with myki Money is the most convenient method for parents. For more information on using the PTV app to manage your myki, visit: ptv.vic.gov.au/footer/about-ptv/digital-tools/mobile-apps

Touching on and off

PTV's data shows that passengers are not touching on as regularly as they were before the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly trams and buses. Touch on/off data is used to plan the level and frequency of services for your school and sends a positive message to the broader travelling public. We ask you regularly remind students to touch on and off every time they use their myki on public transport, even if they have a Student Pass.

Thank you for your support in sharing this information with your staff and students.

Yours sincerely

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