

Appendix 1: Criteria for Free School Travel Passes

A) Looked After Child (LAC) and previous LAC

- A child aged 4 – 16 years old and looked after by Manchester City Council or previously LAC, and attending a school or academy beyond 2 miles from their placement

B) Distance/nearer

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- A child who is aged between 4 - 11 years old and living in Manchester who is attending a primary school beyond 2 miles from home, and where nearer provision in Manchester is not available.
- A child who is aged between 8-16 years old and living in Manchester who is attending a school beyond 3 but less than 15 miles from home, and
- where nearer provision in Manchester is not available.

* nearer provision in school is defined as any school (other than the school the applicant currently attends) which may be closer to the applicant's home address. A school's performance and Ofsted rating are not applicable when assessing for nearer similar provision.

C) Low income. Free school meals/maximum Working Tax Credit.

- A child aged 4 - 16 year old and living in Manchester who is attending a school more than 2, but less than 6 miles and there are not three or more suitable nearer schools
- Or attending a secondary school or Academy more than 2 but less than 15 miles if their preferred school is on the grounds of religion or belief from their home address;

D) Other criteria

- A child in Year 10 or Year 11 who has recently moved into Manchester from another local authority and wishes to remain at their current school, and lives between 3 and 15 miles from their current school
- A primary aged child living within 2 or 3 miles (dependant on age) walking distance from their school where the nature of the route is unsafe or such that the child could not be expected to walk
- a child living in temporary or homeless accommodation which is more than 2 or 3 miles (dependant on age) from their current school.