

National Travel to Learn and School Bus Summit

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Queensland's School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS)



Queensland's STAS – Purpose

Provides travel assistance for students disadvantaged by:

- distance to nearest school
- low income.



School Bus Fleet Program

- School Bus Upgrade Scheme (SchoolBUS) provides capital funding to assist in paying for the bus.
- Ownership and maintenance of the bus is the Operator's responsibility.
- Minimum safety standards
- Linked to route optimisation



Code of Conduct for School Students Travelling on Buses - Queensland

- Introduced in 1998
- Industry expressed need for system to manage student behaviour
- Developed in consultation with key stakeholders
- Reviewed in 1999, 2006 and 2013.



Rights and responsibilities of all stakeholders

Four categories of misconduct

Principles and procedures for responding to misconduct

Complaints and review process

Step Up Campaign

Promoting respectful relationships



Managing fare evasion



Understanding the public transport network



School Transport – the future

- Continued commitment to safe and affordable school transport
- Better utilisation of technology and data to optimise networks and streamline processes
- Support for industry to manage student behaviour
- Encourage innovation where appropriate within an overarching policy framework – partnerships with industry and education stakeholders
- Focus on our future public transport customers

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