



Beaconhills College
IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE ANGLICAN & UNITING CHURCHES

Externally Organised Bus Services

Family Guide Pakenham Campus

Government-run bus services

Two independently operated bus services are available to Beaconhills College students contracted to Ventura Bus Lines, Simcocks Bus Services and Berwick Bus Lines. The details below will help you choose the option that best suits your child and family.

Please note: These services are run externally and are not managed or coordinated by the College.

The College prioritises student safety. If a child travels on a bus without being registered through the School Bus Program, they will not appear on the official bus lists held by the Program or the College. In an incident or emergency, we may not know they are on the bus and may be unable to contact you.



SECTION A

Country School Bus

External country school buses via Government School Bus Program services (Eligibility criteria /application and registration required to use this service)

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Bus Areas

Are you looking for externally-operated buses servicing the following areas:

- Cockatoo
- Cora-Lynn (#5260)
- Dewhurst/Guys Hills (#5261)
- Emerald/Mount Burnett (#5255)
- Garfield
- Gembrook
- Menzies Creek
- Nar Nar Goon Nth #2 (#5258)
- Pak Upper (#5256)
- Tynong Nth (#5259)
- Upper Beac #1
- Upper Beac #2 (#5253)

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How to access service

Travellers seeking access to the free country school bus service must log in or create an account on the [Student Travel Assistance Portal](#) (STAP) to submit their application. Please note: all applications and enquiries are handled externally and are not managed by the College. The portal also provides details on eligibility criteria, timetables, contacts, and the full application process.

For a step-by-step overview, refer to the [Quick Reference Guide for school bus applicants and travellers](#).

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Registration

Students approved for this service must forward their STAP confirmation email to the College at pakenham.busenquiries@beaconhills.vic.edu.au. This ensures the College can contact families with relevant details in case of an emergency or important communication.

Contact for country school bus service

Please contact the School Bus Program team via email at schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au or phone 1800 338 663, if you have any queries or challenges logging in.



SECTION B PTV School Specials

PTV School Special Bus Services via Ventura Bus Lines (Application and registration required to use these services)

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Bus Routes

For these bus services please find below relevant information about the application process.
#1515, #1535, #1536, #1546, #1547, #1548, #5262

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How to access these services

Use the external link to access [Ventura's Live Tracking Portal](#). It displays all PTV and DET school bus routes (e.g. #1535), including maps to help you select the right service for your child

Email pakenham.busenquiries@beaconhills.vic.edu.au to request access to the bus service of choice.

In your email, be sure to include:

- The Bus Route number/s
- The name of each child who will be using the service
- The intended start date
- The specific days and times you require the service (AM and/or PM)

** Please note, Route 5262 is currently at capacity. If you request this service, you will be placed on a wait list and notified once space has become available.*

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Registration

After your application is approved, the College will inform you when you're able to begin using the service.

Contact for School Special PTV Bus Services

Please contact the Ventura School Bus Program team on mtran@venturabus.com.au or phone 8710 6362, if you have any queries.

More help - For any bus service queries or concerns, please contact the organisations listed above in Section A or B which are relevant to the bus service.



SECTION C

Ventura Services

Ventura Bus Lines – Further Information (Live Tracking and Timetable Information)

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Bus Routes

Routes travelled by the following buses can be found on the Ventura Live Tracking link below:

#1515 (PM)	#1547 (PM),	#5256 SBSC (AM/PM)	#5261 SBSC (AM/PM)
#1535 (AM),	#1548 (AM)	#5258 SBSC (AM/PM)	#5262 (AM/PM)
#1536 (PM)	#5253 SBSC (AM/PM)	#5259 SBSC (AM/PM)	
#1546 (PM)	#5255 SBSC (AM/PM)	#5260 SBSC (AM/PM)	

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Live Tracking

Use the external link to access [Ventura's Live Tracking Portal](#). It displays all PTV and DET school bus routes (e.g. #1535), including maps to help you select the right service for your child.



Families can also access the Ventura Tracker app through both the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#). For more information, or to sign up, please visit the [Ventura Website](#).

Timetables

Please refer to the [Ventura Bus Lines Timetables](#) for Beaconhills College. These are also available on the [Ventura Live Tracking Portal](#).

** Please note Route # with SBSC are country buses. If you require one of these bus services, please refer to Section A: Country School Bus instructions.*

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Contact for Ventura

Please contact the Ventura Operations Manager on mtran@venturabus.com.au or phone 8710 6362, if you have any queries.