

P-06-1555 To review all guidance on Home to School Transport for all of Wales. Free access to an education

This petition was submitted by Tina Collins, having collected a total of 11,790 signatures.

Text of petition:

All Children attending an education should be able to attend a school or college without any struggle.

Our streets are no longer safe to walk on their own, especially those who are under 19 years of age.

With NO direct transport for an education for those who even HAVE to attend until their last day in year 11. These students struggle through underlying illness, hidden illness, or even undiagnosed.

The students who live in poverty and struggle to even travel on a public bus.

Additional information:

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After this journey he complained of sore feet, his shoulders hurt and felt exhausted.

This is before a 6 hour day in cool dry weather conditions.

There is no storage for spare clothes or even a dry room to dry clothes.

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Senedd Constituency and Region

- Cynon Valley
- South Wales Central