



Educational Package Information Sheet School transport for recipients of benefits according to AsylbLG

1. Who is entitled? (§§ 2, 3 AsylbLG in conjunction with § 34 section 1 and 4 SGB XII)

School pupils who

- are enrolled in a general or vocational school and
- are entitled to benefits according to AsylbLG,
- are reliant upon school transport to attend the nearest school for their chosen course of education.

Entitlement exists only to the extent that the necessary actual expenses are not reimbursed from other sources and when meeting the costs with basic subsistence needs is not reasonable.

2. Which benefits should be given priority?

- The benefits according to the local school pupil transport costs statute take precedence over the benefits within the framework of the educational package. Therefore, benefits should first be applied for at the Chemnitz School Office (*Schulamt*) (or at the Administrative Union for the Integrated Transport System of Central Saxony (*Zweckverband Verkehrsverbund Mittelsachsen (ZVMS)*) for schools in the surrounding districts).
- School pupils who are reliant upon school transport in order to attend school receive partial reimbursement of transport costs based on the school pupil transport costs statute from the city of Chemnitz. The remaining share of the costs must be paid by all school pupils as an own contribution.
- The applications for partial reimbursement of transport costs to and from Chemnitz schools according to the school pupil transport costs statute may be submitted to:

Schulamt Chemnitz, Friedensplatz 1, 09111 Chemnitz.

Please note: If the school is not located within the administrative area of Chemnitz, but is instead located in the surrounding districts Mittelsachsen, Zwickau or Erzgebirgskreis, the Zweckverband Verkehrsverbund Mittelsachsen (ZVMS) is responsible for covering the costs according to the local statutes. The application should therefore also be submitted to the ZVMS.

- Zweckverband Verkehrsverbund Mittelsachsen, Am Rathaus 2, 09111 Chemnitz (applications may also be attained online or over the phone on: 0371 4000888)

The Schulamt waives the family share of costs starting with the third child of school age. BuT benefits are therefore not an option in such cases.

- It is only possible to partially reimburse transport costs to and from Chemnitz schools if the simple walking distance to school amounts to the following minimum distances:
 - more than 1.8km for school pupils in grades 1 – 4
 - more than 3.5km for school pupils in grades 5 - 10
 - more than 5km for school pupils in grade 11 and higher
 - more than 5km for school pupils in their basic vocational training year (*Berufsgrundbildungsjahr, BGJ*), in their vocational preparation year (*Berufsvorbereitungsjahr, BVJ*), at vocational schools (*Berufsfachschulen*) or specialised secondary schools (*Fachoberschulen*) in the city of Chemnitz or similar state approved, alternative independent schools until the end of compulsory education according to § 28 SchulG, if this vocational training is carried out immediately after completing general education or after completing a voluntary social, ecological year or the equivalent, yet at the latest until the end of the school year in which the pupil attains 21 years of age.
- **If the distance to school is less than the specified minimum distances, school transport will not be reimbursed according to the school pupil transport costs statute and also will not be reimbursed within the framework of the educational package according to SGB II, XII, AsylbLG and BKG.**

3. Which costs for school pupil transport can be reimbursed within the framework of the educational package?

- The notification regarding school pupil transport from the School Office (*Schulamt*) is the basis for granting benefits within the framework of the educational package. This notification must therefore always be presented when applying for the reimbursement of transport costs.
- **The own contribution of transport costs which remains after reimbursement from the Schulamt must be paid by the school pupil from the basic need assistance. The school pupil transport costs are therefore not completely reimbursed or in some cases are not reimbursed at all within the framework of the educational package.**
- The school pupil must pay the costs him/herself as is provided for in standard benefits according to AsylbLG in conjunction with SGB XII for transport with transport vehicles. This amounts to:

Age	Own contribution from basic needs assistance from 01 August 2013
6 - 13 years old	€ 5.00
14 to 17 years old	
18 years old and older	

- It is only in cases in which transport costs remain after subtracting the own contribution as provided by basic needs assistance that these costs are considered necessary expenses within the framework of the benefits offered by the educational package that may be taken account of by the Sozialamt.
- After calculating the primary benefits, very low amounts are often granted; in some cases, there are no benefits to grant as the benefits according to the statute and those provided in the basic needs assistance are sufficient for one to pay the transport costs him/herself.

Sample calculations:

from 01 August 2015

Example 1 (Chemnitz school)	Pupils 7 – 18 years old
Monthly travel card subscription	€ 32.50
Reimbursement from Schulamt	- € 16.25
Own contribution from basic needs assistance	- € 5.00
Benefits from educational package	€ 11.25

Example 2 (school in the district):	Pupils 7–18 years old
Own contribution according to the school pupil transport costs statute (€ 80.00 : 10 months)	€ 8.00
Own contribution from basic needs assistance	- € 5.00
Benefits from educational package	€ 3.00