Dear Members of the Class of 2023 and Parents:

Bowdoin’s vehicle policy prohibits motorized vehicles (cars, motorcycles, and mopeds) for all first-year students. We do understand the need to get off campus and are fortunate that there are many transportation options available to Bowdoin students. All fares listed below are subject to change.

- **The Bowdoin Shuttle**: This free shuttle provides safe and convenient transportation within a one-mile radius of campus. The Shuttle will take you anywhere in downtown Brunswick from 6 p.m. - 2 a.m., with extended hours until 3 a.m. Thursday through Saturday. The Bowdoin Shuttle (aka Safe Ride) can be reached at (207) 725-3337.

- **Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) Shuttle**: The BSG shuttle takes students to Freeport and Portland on Fridays, Portland on Saturdays, and Freeport and the Maine Mall (South Portland) on the first Sunday of every month – for a fee of $5. BSG also provides free taxi rides on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 p.m. to 1 a.m., and Fridays and Saturdays 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. within a one-mile radius of campus.

- **Brunswick Explorer Bus**: The Brunswick Explorer provides public transit service throughout Brunswick. Buses run hourly with campus stops Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Fare is $1.00 per ride or $3.00 for all day pass. For more information visit the [Brunswick Explorer](#) website.

- **Brunswick Taxi**: The Brunswick Taxi (207-729-3688) provides rides in Brunswick, Bath, other surrounding towns and Portland. In addition, BSG also provides free taxi rides on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 p.m. to 1 a.m., and Fridays and Saturdays 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. within a one-mile radius of campus.

- **Bus and Train**: The Metro Breez Express Service connects Brunswick to Freeport, Yarmouth, and Portland. The Breez bus stop on campus is near the corner of Maine Street and Bath Road, behind Pickard Theater. Visit their website for complete route and schedule information. [Concord Coach Lines](#) operates a special Bowdoin College stop and takes students to Boston from the Brunswick Visitor Center at 16 Station Ave, where they can connect to other destinations and to Logan Airport. [Greyhound Bus](#) also has a stop at 7-11 at 152 Maine St. The [Amtrak](#) station is located at the Brunswick Visitor Center at 16 Station Ave, which is within walking distance of the College.

- **Car Rentals**: You can rent a vehicle from [Enterprise Car Rental](#) located at 166 Pleasant St. or Bowdoin has two [Zipcars](#) that are available for student use 24 hours-a-day. For an annual membership fee of $15 and a low price of $7.50/hr. - $8.50/hr. or $69 per day, these cars can be used by Zipcar members to go to the grocery store or escape on a weekend trip. For more information visit [www.zipcar.com/bowdoin](http://www.zipcar.com/bowdoin).

- **Emergency Transportation**: Bowdoin’s [Office of Safety and Security](#) will provide on-campus and in-town transportation for all students with medical emergencies or special needs. [Health Services](#) provides taxi vouchers for routine student medical appointments.

- **Portland Jetport Transportation**: Brunswick Taxi (207-729-3688) single fare is $60.00 multiple riders will split cost, Metro Breez Express Service, and [Mermaid Transportation](#) fare is $49.00.

- **Ride Share Board**: Find other Bowdoin students who are going where you want to go on the [Rideboard](#).

- **Yellow Bike Club**: The Bowdoin [Yellow Bike Club](#) maintains a fleet of Yellow Bikes that can be found parked at the many bike racks around campus. This is service that allows students to rent bikes for a full semester or year at a low membership fee ($30 for a full year or $20 for a one semester). The membership fee allows you to use these bikes to go where you need and then return them to any bike rack. Additionally, members of the club have full access to the club’s bike repair hours.

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For more information on Bowdoin’s alternative transportation options visit the College’s [Sustainability](#) page.

If you feel that there is an extraordinary circumstance that would necessitate having a car on campus, you can appeal by emailing [Randy Nichols](mailto:randy.nichols@bowdoin.edu), Director of Safety and Security. Appeals will be reviewed in conjunction with the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

I hope you find this information helpful. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Randy Nichols
Director of Safety and Security

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