

# School Bus Run Information in relation to Catastrophic Fire Danger Ratings

## NOTICE TO PARENTS

Gawler High School is situated in a safe bushfire precinct of Gawler and as a result does **not close** on Catastrophic Fire Danger days. The School's location is in the Mt Lofty Fire Ban District and the feeder Primary Schools are divided between the Mt Lofty Fire Ban and the Mid North Fire Ban Districts. Due to the distances of these schools Gawler High manages a number of bus runs to service the students in these locations. On days of a declared fire ban rating of **Catastrophic (Code Red)** buses are **not permitted to operate**. As our bus routes cover two fire ban districts there may be occasions where one area is rated catastrophic and the other not. In the table below you will be able to work out which buses will not run depending on the rating.

### Mt Lofty Fire Ban District

Bus Number	Destination
Link SA 1251	Virginia
Link SA 852	Angle Vale
*Link SA 853	Angle Vale
*1406 (DECD)	Gawler River / Angle Vale
*Link SA 981	Buckland Park

### Mid North Fire Ban District

*Link SA 853	Angle Vale
*1406 (DECD)	Gawler River / Angle Vale
*Link SA 981	Buckland Park
1363 (DECD)	Two Wells
1424 (DECD)	Lewiston
1431 (DECD)	Lower Light
1366 (DECD)	Reeves Plains
Link SA 1250	Two Wells

Please note buses with\* operate in both zones and therefore will not run if a Catastrophic (code red) is declared for either District.

While these buses are not permitted to run, students affected **are permitted** to attend school but transport to and from school on that day would be at the discretion and responsibilities of their parents/caregivers.

### How will you know if the buses listed above won't run?

If there is early notice of a catastrophic fire ban (code red) bus drivers will notify students of the cancellation the day prior. The school will also use our SMS messaging system to notify users

However it is possible that the CFS / Weather Bureau will declare a Catastrophic (code red) at very short notice, ie the morning of the ban. This will leave little time to inform families of bus cancellations. In this case we will activate our SMS messaging system to inform you.

It is essential that all families monitor the media and public broadcast and warnings associated with bushfire warning and with taking control of their own bushfire action plans.

I would remind families that Gawler High will remain **open** on Catastrophic (code red) fire rating days.

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