

Officially, Bolgart Primary School has no catchment area and is able to accept students from anywhere parents may be in the surrounding area. Unofficially, the School Bus Service has created a catchment area as it refuses to travel to areas where parents reside. In more detail, Bolgart is 25 minutes North of Toodyay and the SBS provide a bus from Bolgart to Toodyay so that Year 7 - 10 students can attend the local DHS. So time and distance is not an issue. However, SBS refuse to provide a service in the opposite direction for the students who live in Toodyay and wish to attend Bolgart. They cite that these students MUST attend Toodyay DHS. Why should SBS decide where a parent schools their child? Where is the parent choice that is so often touted by government in support of providing funding for religious and private schools? Surely, parents should be choosing the school that best fits the needs of their child, NOT the School Bus Service.