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Topic: I take "a" bus to school. Vs I take "the" bus to school.

Subject: Re: I take "a" bus to school. Vs I take "the" bus to school.

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After some "research", I noticed "a" or "the" seem to be interchangeable, so you're right to point that out.

However, "the" has more meaning when used in different scenarios.

Let's catch the bus! - 讓我們去搭公車...

Let's catch the bus to (the) school! - 讓我們去搭公車上學...

Or how would you say this in everyday life?

YQ: Your translation is not wrong, but any word for word translation would sound unnatural. I think a closer example could be "the bus that I use for going to school"

For my case, I would simply say "the bus that I use for going to school"

Is it correct to say "the bus that I use for going to school" for "the bus that I use for going to school"?

YQ: Should be correct. If it's a school bus, we simply call it "school bus",