



K-12 RIDES FREE >>

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What is K-12 Rides Free?** >> A pilot program to provide free rides on any Metro Transit service (bus, MOBY, or ORBT) for all K-12 students any time a service is in operation.
- Who is eligible?** >> Any student from Kindergarten through 12th grade in the Omaha metro or surrounding area. Visiting students are also eligible.
- Will students need to show ID?** >> High school students will need to show valid school-issued ID cards when boarding.
>> If a high school student does not have a school-issued ID, Metro will provide a photo ID card. Students can bring proof of high school enrollment, including a signed Acknowledgment Letter from the Nebraska Commissioner of Education if home schooled, to the Metro office between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday.
- How long does this pilot program last?** >> Free rides for K-12 students will be available from May 10, 2021 to June 1, 2022. Metro will be analyzing program use for potential extensions.
- Who is funding this pilot program?** >> This pilot program is being funded by a generous grant from a local philanthropic organization.
- Is riding the bus safe?** >> Absolutely! Our bus operators are highly trained to drive safely and help riders navigate our transit system. Cameras monitor all ORBT stations and Metro vehicles. Masks are required to board any Metro vehicle, which are cleaned daily and regularly disinfected. For more details on Metro's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, visit ometro.com/COVID-19.
- How do I know where my bus is?** >> Metro's MyRide OMA system uses real-time data that allows riders to plan their trip, track their bus, and sign up for news updates and arrival times. MyRide OMA provides access online, through Android and Apple mobile apps, or via text message.
>> For more info on MyRide OMA, visit ometro.com/MyRideOMA.
- Can I bring my bike along?** >> All Metro buses are equipped with racks for your bicycle. Racks are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and your bike rides free!