

# City of Madison: Sponsors free bus passes for MMSD youth again this summer

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As part of Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway's MetroForward >> initiative, the City of Madison has teamed up for the second year with the Madison Metropolitan School District to distribute a summer Metro Transit pass to ALL middle and high school students, providing a safe and easily accessible way to navigate our community this summer.

"In its first year this initiative distributed 2,375 passes to young people who took 37,989 bus rides over just one summer. It's clear that these passes make a real difference for Madison youth and their families," said Mayor Rhodes Conway. "We are working hard to improve transit access, and we want young people to benefit from that. Partnering with MMSD is the best way we can help Madison youth get to jobs, school, City parks, pools and more this summer, all while advancing our climate, equity, and economic goals."

Empowering youth to be public transit riders now prepares them to access Madison's transit network, improved through the Transit Network Redesign process, as well as the coming Bus Rapid Transit system that will connect all sides of the City like never before.

Free passes were distributed to middle and high school students 6th grade and up via their schools and are now available for pickup from school summer semester sites. Students that live in Madison but attend other school districts, or who did not receive a summer pass from their school, are eligible for the free pass and can pick them up at Metro Transit (1245 E. Washington Ave., Ste. 201). Passes are valid for the summer, through September 6.