

SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION APPLICATION 2016-2017

(PLEASE USE ONLY ONE APPLICATION FORM PER FAMILY.)

All students who wish to ride the bus MUST obtain a bus pass. Students in grades K-5 do not have to pay for the pass and students in grade 6 who live more than 2.0 miles from their school DO NOT have to pay a fee but all students must still obtain a pass; otherwise, the fee is **\$310 per student with a family cap of \$620**. Families may apply for a fee waiver based on financial hardship so that no student is denied bus transportation. See Financial Assistance check box below. All eligible students must fill out the application below. Questions may be directed to the Newton Public Schools Transportation Office at (617) 559-9051 or bus_transportation@newton.k12.ma.us.

I wish to arrange bus transportation to and from school for my child/children in accordance with the policies and fees established by the Newton Public Schools.

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Tel. # _____

Address _____ email _____

Student Name(s)		Grade	School	Bus Stop (please enter stop from list on reverse side)	Fee	Check if Gr. K-5 or 6>2.0 for no fee.
Last	First					
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____

Pay bus fee on-line at www.newton.k12.ma.us/transportation using your checking account, MasterCard or Discover Card. Total \$ _____
 (A hard copy of the Application form is not needed for on-line payments.) Check # _____

Elementary after school program must be located at an official bus stop and entered above in order to qualify for a one way bus pass.

Please make the check payable to the City of Newton and write "Bus Fee" along with your child's name and school on the left hand corner of the check. **Please mail the application and check to the Transportation Office, Newton Public Schools, 100 Walnut Street, Newtonville, MA 02460-1398 by August 5th.** Abuse of the bus pass system or violation of the school system's rules of behavior will result in disciplinary action including suspension of transportation privileges and forfeiture of fees.

CONFIDENTIAL Financial Assistance: All waiver requests must include a Transportation Financial Assistance Application available from the Transportation Office or on-line at www.newton.k12.ma.us/transportation/
 I wish to apply for a waiver for all or part of the transportation fee due to financial hardship.

Installment Plan: Families may request to pay the fee in installments, but must pay at least 50% of the total fee by August 5th. Families will be billed for the balance of the fee payable by February 1st. All prior year balances must be paid in full in order to receive a bus pass for the new school year. *I wish to apply for the installment option and have enclosed at least 50% of the total fee.*

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

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Financial Assistance: approved denied **Installment Plan:** approved denied **Date application received:** _____