

What is a SEPTA Student Fare Card?



- Weekly Transpass replacement – SEPTA is phasing out transpass technology and equipment.
- A contact-free chipped card used by students to board a SEPTA trolley, bus or subway.
- Regional rail services can be added, at an additional cost to the Student Fare Card weekly.
- Students can use the same Fare Card for the entire school year.

Benefits of the SEPTA Student Fare Card

SEPTA Student Transpass

- Delivered to schools monthly
- Distributed to students weekly
- Disposable laminated card
- Transpasses have an assigned monetary value when they are delivered to the schools
- Unused transpasses must be returned to the Transportation department for disposal

SEPTA Student Fare Card

- Delivered to schools annually or as needed
- Distributed to students annually or as needed
- Reusable plastic card
- Fare Cards do not have a monetary value until they are assigned to an eligible student by the school and activated by SEPTA
- Delivered Unused Fare Cards can be stored and assigned to eligible students as needed.
- Delivered Damaged Fare Cards can be disposed of by the school after they have been reported as damaged.

Multi-Year Feature

No expiration date

- The Student Fare Card will have no expiration date
- Students who remain eligible for transportation services, and are enrolled in the same school as the previous school year, will be able to utilize their SEPTA Student Fare Card for the new school year.
- Students who are enrolled in a new school or have changed residences from the previous school year will need to be re-evaluated for eligibility, and if eligible, will require a new SEPTA Student Fare Card assigned for the new school year.
- Students cards will deactivated during the summer and during non-school days.

Using the Student Fare Card

Taps / Calendars / Times

- A Tap is SEPTA's term for accessing transportation
- Students will tap their Fare Card as they board each mode of transportation
- Student Fare Cards will be programmed with a maximum of 8 taps per day
- Fare Cards will only be operational on school days between 5:30am and 8:00pm
- Each Fare Card will be associated to a predefined school calendar
- Fare Cards will not be operational on national holidays, weekends and predetermined non-school days