

MBTA Youth Pass Eligibility Criteria 2019-2020

The **Youth Pass** program provides qualified young people with reduced fares via a Youth Pass CharlieCard which can be loaded with cash value and/or \$30 monthly LinkPasses for MBTA bus or subway rides only (no discount on the MBTA Commuter Rail, Express Buses, or Ferries).

There are two age groups eligible for the Youth Pass program:

- A) Individuals who will be between the ages 12 to 18 as of October 31, 2020 (i.e. born between October 31, 2002 and November 1, 2008, inclusive)
 - B) Individuals who will be between the ages 18 to 25 as of October 31, 2020 (i.e. born between October 31, 1994 and November 1, 2002, inclusive)
- A) For participants aged 12 to 18 years, the following criteria need to be met:
- Born between October 31, 2002 and November 1, 2008. Age can be demonstrated using any of the following documents:
 - Copy of birth certificate
 - Photo ID (Massachusetts ID, Passport, School ID) with date of birth
 - School record or other state record that includes date of birth
 - Visa, residency, or other immigration document with date of birth
 - Notarized affidavit by legal guardian or parent with date of birth
 - **NOT** enrolled in middle or high school (these students may receive a Student CharlieCard, M7 Card or S-Card, through their school – contact your school for more information)
 - Live in a participating city or town
- B) For participants aged 18 to 25 years old, the following criteria need to be met:
- Born between October 31, 1994 and November 1, 2002. Age can be demonstrated using any of the following documents:
 - Copy of birth certificate
 - Photo ID (Massachusetts ID, Passport, School ID) with date of birth
 - School record or other state record that includes date of birth
 - Visa, residency, or other immigration document with date of birth
 - **NOT** enrolled in middle or high school (these students may receive a Student CharlieCard, M7 Card or S-Card, through their school – contact your school for more information)
 - Live in a participating city or town
 - Demonstrate enrollment in **one** of the following types of programs (the list of approved programs is outlined on the next pages):
 - State or federal benefit program (e.g., MassHealth, SNAP)
 - Alternative education program (e.g., GED, HiSET)
 - Job training or professional development program (e.g., Year Up, Roca)
 - To demonstrate eligibility in the listed programs above, an applicant must show an official document from the program that includes their name or name of their parent/guardian, the program name, and the date of their enrollment in the program or expiration date. If no document exists, the participant can return a verification form signed by an administrator at the program, including their contact information for verification purposes.

Note: Each partner city will set their own documentation necessary to verify proof of address

Approved State and Federal Benefit Programs

Department/Organization	Program Name
Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fuel Assistance Head Start and Early Head Start
Bridge Over Troubled Waters	Youth Homeless Shelter*
Cambridge Housing Authority	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Section 8
City of Cambridge, Department of Human Service Programs	Fuel Assistance
Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc. (CAPIC)	Fuel Assistance
Home for Little Wanderers	Young Adult Resource Network (YARN)
Just-A-Start (JAS) Corporation	JAS Housing
Massachusetts Department of Early Education & Care (EEC)	Income Eligible Child Care
Massachusetts Department of Higher Education (DHE)	MASSGrant, also known as “Mass State Grant”
Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Section 8 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Public Housing Assistance Programs
Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MassHealth Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program
Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child Care Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled, and Children (EAEDC) Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC)
Pine Street Inn	Homeless Shelter and Workforce Development
Quincy Community Actions Programs (QCAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Care for Kids (CCK) Head Start and Early Head Start
The Haven Project	Homeless Youth Services
Y2YNetwork	Youth Homeless Shelter

Approved Alternative Education Programs

Department/Organization	Program Name
Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University High School Urban College of Boston William J. Ostiguy High School
Boston Public Schools	Boston Central Adult High School
Chelsea Public Schools	Intergenerational Literacy Program
City of Cambridge, Department of Human Service Programs	Community Learning Center
Freedom House	PUSH College Program

Department/Organization	Program Name
Jewish Vocational Service (JVS Boston)	Adult Diploma Pathway
Julie's Family Learning Program	Adult Basic Education (ABE)
Madison Park Development Corporation	O-YEP HiSET Program*
Malden Public Schools	Pathways
Notre Dame Education Center	NDEC High School Diploma Program
Pathways, Inc.	Adult Basic Education (ABE)
Quincy Community Action Programs (QCAP)	Adult Secondary Education
Quincy Evening High School	WIOA Diploma Program
Revere Community School	High School Equivalency Diploma
Somerville Public Schools	SCALE
The Immigrant Learning Center	English Language Programs

Approved Job Training and Professional Development Programs

Department/Organization	Program Name
Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD)	Career Explorations
American Training - LARE Institute	Chelsea Certificate Programs
Asian American Civic Association (AACA)	Building Energy Efficient Maintenance Skills (BEEMS) Program
Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology (BFIT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automotive Technology Certificate HVAC&R Certificate Practical Electricity Certificate
Boston Private Industry Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boston Opportunity Youth Collaborative (OYC) Re-Engagement Center
Building Pathways	Building Trades Apprenticeship Preparedness Training
Center for Teen Empowerment	Boston, Somerville
City of Cambridge, Department of Human Service Programs	Cambridge Works
Just-A-Start (JAS) Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biomedical Careers Program JAS YouthBuild (Cambridge)*
Justice Resource Institute	STRIVE Boston
North Shore Community Development Coalition	YouthBuild North Shore
Roca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Men Program Young Mothers Program
Sociedad Latina	Academy for Latinos Achieving Success (ALAS)
Training Resources of America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACHIEVE! Youth Opportunity Program Young Parents Program (YPP)
Year Up	All Participating Cities (Boston, North Shore)
Youth Options Unlimited Boston (YOU Boston)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Career Pathways Operation Exit

**Participants enrolled in these programs should refer to their program directly about how to obtain a Youth Pass. Participants ~~cannot~~ obtain a Youth Pass directly from their local municipal partner.*