



MBTA Youth Pass Eligibility Criteria

Updated October 31st, 2018

There are two age groups eligible for the Youth Pass Program.

The first group is comprised of individuals who will be 18 or under as of October 31, 2019.

The second group is comprised of individuals who will be ages 19 to 25 as of October 31, 2019. For each of these groups, eligibility criteria is as follows:

A) For participants aged 12-18 years old as of October 31, 2019, the following criteria must be met:

- ***Not*** be enrolled in middle or high school (these students may receive a Student CharlieCard through their school – contact your school for more information)
- Live in a participating city or town
- Will be 18 or under as of October 31, 2019. Demonstrate age 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

B) For participants aged 19-25 years old as of October 31, 2019, the following criteria must be met:

- ***Not*** be enrolled in middle or high school (these students may receive a Student CharlieCard through their school – contact your school for more information)
- Live in a participating city or town
- Will be ages 19 to 25 on October 31, 2019. Age shall be verified 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
- Demonstrate enrollment in at least **one** of the following types of programs. The list of approved programs is outlined below.
 - 1) State/Federal Benefit Programs
 - 2) Alternative Education Programs
 - 3) Job Training Programs

To demonstrate eligibility, 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 for a specific program, the participant can return a verification form signed by an administrator at the program (including the administrator's contact information) for verification purposes.

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

1. State and Federal Benefit Programs

Department/Umbrella Organization	Program Name
Department of Public Health (MA)	MassHealth (Blue Card)
	WIC
Department of Transitional Assistance (MA)	DTA Child Care Services
	TAFDC
	SNAP Food Stamps
Department of Housing and Community Development (MA)	Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
	Public Housing
	Section 8 Vouchers
Department of Early Education & Care (MA)	Income-eligible Child Care
ABCD	Fuel Assistance
	Early Head Start
	Head Start
Capic Fuel Assistance	Fuel Assistance
City of Cambridge	Department of Health Services Programs- Fuel Assistance
	Project Based Section 8 and Just-A Start Housing
Home for Little Wanderers	Young Adult Resource Network
Quincy Community Resources	Head Start
Youth Homeless Shelters	Bridge Over Troubled Waters
	Pine St. Inn
	Y2Y Shelter
	The Haven Project

2. Alternative Education Programs

Department/Umbrella Organization	Program Name
Action for Boston Community Development	Adult Basic Education (ABE)
	Urban College of Boston
	William J. Ostiguy High School
	ABCD University High School
Boston Public Schools	Boston Central Adult High School
Chelsea Public Schools	Intergenerational Literacy Program
City of Cambridge	Community Learning Center
The Immigrant Learning Center	English Programs
Freedom House	PUSH College Program
Julie's Family Learning Program	Adult Basic Education, HiSet program
JVS- Boston	Adult Diploma Program
Madison Park Development Corp	O-YEP HiSet Program
Malden Public Schools	Pathways
Notre Dame Education Center	NDEC High School Diploma Program
Quincy Community Action Programs	Adult Secondary Education
Quincy Evening High School	WIOA Diploma Program
Revere Community School	High School Equivalency Diploma
Somerville Public Schools	SCALE

3. Job Training Programs

Department/Umbrella Organization	Program Name
ABCD	Building Pathways
	Career Explorations
Asian American Civic Association	BEEMS
Boston Private Industry Council	Boston Private Industry Council
	Re-Engagement Center/Project Re-Connect
City of Boston	Youths Options Unlimited, including Operation Exit
City of Cambridge	Cambridge Works
Just A Start	Just A Start Biomedical Program
LARE Training Center	Chelsea location
Justice Resource Institute	Strive Boston
Quincy Community Resources	Community Care for Kids subsidy program
ROCA	ROCA
Sociedad Latina	ALAS
Training Resources of America	Achieve Youth Opportunity Program, Young Parents Program
Teen Empowerment	Somerville and Boston
Year Up!	Year Up! in all participating cities
YouthBuild	Cambridge