Information for Students and Parents about Bus Service in Fall 2021



The federal mask requirement is still in effect. All Pace riders must wear a mask while onboard and at Pace facilities.

We know many high school and college students rely on Pace bus service to get to school every day.

For the Fall 2021 semester, Pace is reinstating *most* "school-days-only" service as students return to classrooms.

As northeastern Illinois emerges from the COVID-19 pandemic, Pace continues to do its part to keep all our riders safe, but riders need to do their part, too. Throughout this pandemic and continuing through this school year, Pace has been cleaning and sanitizing buses regularly in accordance with CDC guidelines. All riders, including students, who are medically able to tolerate a mask need to wear one while onboard Pace buses and while near other people at bus stops.





Status of bus schedules

After suspending "school-days-only" service during the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Pace is reinstating *most* school-days-only service in Fall 2021. Students at many area middle and high schools and colleges can get to and from class and other activities via regular Pace fixed route service or the school-days-only trips. Please consult the published bus schedule, dated August 2021, to confirm routing and trip times, as schedules may have changed from their 2019 versions.

When viewing a bus route's schedule on our website, please be aware that some trips include a footnote to indicate that the trip or routing pattern only operates on school days. Those "school-days-only trips" are operating during Fall 2021 and the schedules currently published on the Pace website have the correct information about trip times and destinations. Pace has issued a passenger notice in that regard. Sign up at PaceBus.com for email/text alerts for the route you ride to stay informed when Pace announces changes to our service.

Fare Payment

All riders, including students, should use a Ventra Card to pay their fares for quicker boarding and less interaction with the bus operator. Students continue to ride at a discounted fare, and paying with your Ventra Card is the easiest way to take advantage of that savings. See this page for more information about getting a student Ventra Card: https://www.pacebus.com/student-fare-information.





Student Fares

One way fare (cash)	.\$1.10
One way fare (Ventra)	\$1.00
30-day pass (Ventra)	\$30.00