

**2023-2024**

**Student Agreement and Parent Authorization and Acknowledgment of Risk for Free Student Bus Pass + Metro Program bus pass**

School Year 2023-24

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Attending School \_\_\_\_\_

FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY
Card Number: _____
Card Assigned Name: _____
Graduation Date: _____

**Student Agreement:**

I accept responsibility for my use of the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metro bus pass and for my conduct while I am on the bus and at bus stops. I also agree to:

- Always have/use my pass to board the bus; if I do not have my pass, I may be denied boarding.
- Use the bus only on days and times that my parents/guardians have approved for the purpose of going to and coming from home to school, jobs, and other activities.
- **Use the pass only on the approved routes listed on the WMATA website and free student pass literature (<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/connector/student-pass/pilot>).**
  - **Approved METRO bus routes as of October 2021 are(subject to change): 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A, 2B, 4B, 7A, 7M, 8W, 10A, 10B, 11C, 16A, 16C, 16E, 16G, 16H, 16Y(To Arlington ONLY), 17B, 17G, 17K, 17M, 18G, 18J, 18P, 21C, 22A, 22F, 23A, 23B, 23T, 25B, 26A, 28A, 28F, 29G, 29K, 29N, REX(Richmond Highway Express), and Metroway Alexandria-Arlington.**
- Follow the directions of the bus driver or other Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metro employee while riding the bus.
- Be courteous to other passengers on the bus and at bus stops.
- Not smoke, eat, drink or litter on the bus.
- Use earphones while using audio or video devices on the bus.
- Not lend, give away or sell my pass other to people.
- Refrain from conduct that poses a safety risk to myself, or others.
- Refrain from any unlawful conduct.
- I will return the card to my school upon leaving FCPS, changing schools within FCPS, or graduation from 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Student Safety at Fairfax Connector and Metro Bus Stops**

1. Give respect to get respect; ***especially*** at the bus stops.
2. Pay attention to your surroundings. Always let the bus pull away **before** crossing the street. Do NOT cross in front of the bus. **Cars do not stop for Fairfax Connector like they do for a school bus.** Be aware of your surroundings.
3. Please do not lean on bus doors.

I understand that my bus pass may be revoked by either the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metro Bus or by Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) at any time.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parent Authorization and Acknowledgment of Risk:**

I understand that, with my permission, Fairfax County, City of Fairfax and FCPS will provide my child with a no cost bus pass allowing my child to ride any public Fairfax Connector/CUE bus seven days a week from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. My student will also be permitted to use the SmartTrip card on approved Metro bus routes listed on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) website and the Fairfax Connector Free Student Bus Pass Program (FSBPP) literature.

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I understand that my student is not to leave the Commonwealth of Virginia. All bus routes in Washington, D.C. and Maryland are PROHIBITED, unless otherwise approved by the school Principal. The purpose of this service is to provide my child with additional and more flexible transportation options for travel to/from home, school, jobs, internships, and other activities. Any bus transportation already provided by FCPS for my child will remain available for his or her use.

I understand that use of the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metro bus involves some risks that are common to any use of public transportation. I also understand that neither FCPS nor Fairfax County/City of Fairfax will provide my child with supervision while riding the bus or at bus stops. While riding the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metro bus, my child will be subject to the same rules and consequences for his or her behavior as any other public bus passenger.

I understand that my child's use of the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metro bus is entirely voluntary; it is not required. It is my responsibility to determine whether my child demonstrates the ability to use the public bus safely and responsibly on his or her own. It is also my responsibility to discuss with my child when and under what circumstances I will permit my child to ride the Fairfax Connector bus; to identify appropriate bus routes for my child to use; and to ensure that my child understands the rules of conduct listed in the Student Agreement.

I understand that the provision of a no cost bus pass is a privilege, and that card usage and activity may be monitored to ensure compliance with any applicable limits and terms/conditions. FCPS or the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metrobus may revoke my child's bus pass for any reason including, but not limited to, student misconduct, misuse of the bus pass (e.g., transferring to others) or termination of the program. I also

understand that the terms and conditions of this program may be changed at any time by FCPS, City of Fairfax or Fairfax County.

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to be provided a Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metrobus Student Pass and to use the Fairfax Connector/CUE/Metrobus as needed for transportation to/from home, school, jobs and other activities in accordance with the above.

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_