

Student Discount CTA / Pace Pass

Can students take a bus to school?

The district does not offer bus service, other than for some students in special education. Several PACE buses provide service near OPRF, including the 309 (Lake Street), 313 (Lake Street), and 315 (Ridgeland Avenue).

Can I get a discounted-fare bus/train pass for my student?

Yes. PACE and CTA both accept Ventra student fare cards. You must apply for a Ventra student fare card by mail. Log into the Ventra website (www.ventrachicago.com), print out the application for a new or replacement student permit, include the school's address, mail it to Ventra with a \$2 personal check, money order, or cashier's check.

Do not send cash, and do not bring cash to the OPRF Bookstore. Once your payment has been received, the student discount card will then be mailed to the OPRF Bookstore and you will be notified when it arrives, approximately two–three weeks after the application has been received. While the reduced student fare generally is good on school days during school hours, please refer to the Ventra website for specifics about the fare restrictions.

My child already has a discounted fare card. How and when do I renew it?

You must renew student-fare cards for each summer term, and again each fall of the new year. To renew, fill out the *Renew Student Reduced Fare Riding Privileges* form. Students can pick up the form from the Bookstore or print it from the online back-to-school packet (oprfhs.org > Quick Links). Return to Ventra by email (www.ventrachicago.com/students), fax, or mail. Be sure to register your student's card on the Ventra website. If the card is lost or stolen, you will need to use the replacement form and call Ventra with the card's number to deactivate the lost or stolen card.

Helpful Resources:

- Order a New Student Ventra Card
- Renew Student Reduced Fare Riding Privileges
- Order a Replacement Student Ventra Card