



2023-24 StrIDe Middle School Student Permission Form



StrIDe is a joint program of the Metro Transit Authority, Metro Schools, the Mayor’s office and Metro Council to offer public transportation to youth in Metro Schools at no cost to the student.

The StrIDe badge is an MTA coded ID card that allows students to travel on WeGo bus and rail routes within Davidson County seven days a week. All high school students in grades 9-12 automatically receive a StrIDe badge. **MNPS middle school students in grades 5-8 are eligible to participate in the StrIDe program if their school does not offer yellow school bus service. Parents must return this permission form to the school prior to the middle school student riding WeGo transportation.** Once this form is returned, a StrIDe badge will be printed and provided to the student. A new permission form must be signed each school year.

StrIDe badges will be delivered to the school and then issued to students. The replacement cost for lost, stolen or damaged badges will be \$15.00 payable to the school. While riding WeGo transportation, students should follow the MTA Code of Conduct or risk losing their eligibility to participate in the StrIDe program. The StrIDe badge may only be used by the student identified on the badge and may not be shared or sold. Lost cards must be promptly reported to the student’s school.

Parents should understand that this program involves public transportation and that school staff will not be on these bus or rail routes. We have thousands of students who safely utilize WeGo transportation everyday. This program is one of the great benefits available to MNPS students, and all parents of middle school students attending an out of zone school are encouraged to consider allowing their child to participate.

Note: Charter middle school students are not eligible for the StrIDe program and parents should contact their child’s school to inquire about transportation options.

School _____

Homeroom _____ Grade _____

Student: First _____ Last _____

Home Address _____

I understand that the StrIDe program will offer my child the opportunity to travel all WeGo routes seven days a week. I approve my child’s participation in this program.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

I understand that I will be riding public transportation and that I am responsible for understanding how to access and use public transportation. I understand that I must follow the MTA code of conduct while using public transportation.

Student Signature _____ Date _____