

ORDINANCE NO. 019-64

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING  
FREE RIDES FOR THE FIRST DAY  
OF SCHOOL IN 2019 AND 2020

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WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") desires to make public transportation readily accessible to all students and accompanying adults on September 3, 2019, which is the start date for Chicago Public Schools and other schools in the service area, and to encourage attendance; and

WHEREAS, The Authority desires to make public transportation readily accessible to all students and accompanying adults in the service area on the start date in 2020 for Chicago Public Schools, and to encourage attendance; and

WHEREAS, Section 30 of the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act authorizes the Authority to fix rates, fares and charges for transportation, and to provide free transportation to students in attendance at public schools of school districts within or partly within the territorial limits of the Authority or at comparable private schools; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has partnered with Under Armour to serve as the sponsor and offset the costs of the free fares on the first day of school for 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Authority desires to obtain sponsorship to offset the costs of free fares on the first day of school 2020; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD  
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby establishes free fares for public transportation of all school-aged children and adults accompanying them effective only on September 3, 2019.

SECTION 2. The Chicago Transit Board hereby establishes free fares for public transportation of all school-aged children and adults accompanying them effective only on the first day of school for Chicago Public Schools in 2020, as established by Chicago Public Schools.

SECTION 3. The Chicago Transit Authority has partnered with Under Armour as a sponsor to help offset the costs associated with providing free fares for public transportation of all school-aged children and adults accompanying them in 2019.

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SECTION 4. The President of the Authority is authorized and directed to accept donations from any source to compensate the Authority for free rides provided to school-aged children and adults accompanying them on the transit system on the first day of school in 2020.

SECTION 5. All Chicago Transit Authority ordinances, bylaws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with Sections 1 and 2 of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. The Chairman, or his designee, is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

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Chairman

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Assistant Secretary

August 14, 2019

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