

ORDER A NEW STUDENT VENTRA CARD

2025-2026 School Year

- **DO** use this form to request a new Student Ventra Card with Student Reduced Fare riding privileges for the 2025-2026 school term.
 - <u>DO NOT</u> use this form if the student already had a Student Ventra Card but it was lost or stolen. Instead, use the Replacement Student Ventra Card Order Form found at **ventrachicago.com/students**.
 - <u>DO NOT</u> use this form if student attends a Chicago Public School or a school that issues Ventra Cards directly. (The school issues a card to the student, instead.) Call us at 877-669-8368 if you are unsure about whether your student's school issues cards directly.
 - **DO NOT** use this form if student already has a Student Ventra Card from the previous term and still has it in hand but needs to renew the Student Reduced Fare privileges. Instead, use the Renew Student Reduced Fare Riding Privileges Form found at **ventrachicago.com/students**.

ELIGIBILITY

The Student Ventra Card is available to full-time students aged 7-20 years old enrolled in elementary or high school and it entitles the cardholder to reduced fare for trips taken Monday thru Friday between 5:30AM and 8:30PM on CTA and Pace transportation systems. Rides taken outside of these times will automatically be charged the full fare unless the student is under the age of 12 and a parent or guardian has taken the action to qualify for the Student/Child fare.* Visit ventrachicago.com/students for a breakdown of the reduced fares offered by CTA and Pace.

SUBMITTING YOUR ORDER

- 1. Fill out Page 2 of this form completely and accurately. Incomplete/incorrect forms can result in a delay and potential rejection of the order.
- 2. Include a \$2.00 Personal or Cashier's Check, or Money Order, made payable to the Chicago Transit Authority.
- 3. Mail form and payment to the address listed at the bottom of Page 2. You will receive a confirmation email (if you provided your email address) when we receive your order.
- 4. Wait 7-10 business days and check with your student's school. If the school has not received the card, give us a call at 877-669-8368.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

The card you receive does not entitle you to the Student Reduced Fare indefinitely. It will have Student Reduced Fare riding privileges through 8/8/2026 and will change to Full Fare after that. You must renew your privileges in the fall for every new school year (and again in the late spring if you are attending summer school) using the Renew Student Reduced Fare Riding Privileges Form found at ventrachicago.com/students.

Student Ventra Cards are not automatically registered. Registering your card is optional but has many benefits including protection of your transit value if your Card is lost or stolen, access to convenient account management features online or via the Ventra App, and e-mail notifications with important messages about your account. Register at www.ventrachicago.com or by calling 877-669-8368. If you already have a Ventra web account, simply log in and click on Register a Ventra Card. By following this process, you can add new cards to your existing account without having to create a separate online account. It does not matter whether you register the card to the student or parent.



STUDENT (CARDHOLDER) INFORMATION

Cards must be sent to the student's school. Cards cannot be sent to the student's residence.

Student cards are not automatically registered. You can register at ventrachicago.com or by calling 877-669-8368. FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL LAST NAME CITY _____ ZIP ____ DATE OF BIRTH ___/___/___ PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE INITIAL ____ LAST NAME PRIMARY PHONE: (_____) _____ EMAIL: ___ Providing your phone and/or email address is important. It allows us to contact you if there are any problems with your order and send you important updates about the student fare program. SHIPPING INFORMATION This information is required. Cards must be sent to the student's school. They cannot be sent to the student's residence. SCHOOL NAME: SCHOOL ADDRESS: Provide the entire address including city, state, and zip to help ensure successful delivery. HOMEROOM TEACHER NAME & ROOM #:_ The card will be sent to this person's attention at the school.

HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS

Parents or quardians of home school students must demonstrate that the child is enrolled in a class held in an academic setting, a work/study program or an on-campus extracurricular activity. Documentation of such enrollment must be submitted with this form to the address below. Cards cannot be sent to the student's residence and must be picked up by the student at the Ventra Service Center, 567 W. Lake St., 2nd Floor, Chicago. You will be notified when the card is ready for pickup or if further information is needed.

FORWARD ORDER AND PAYMENT TO:

PAYMENT METHOD:

Ventra Services Attn: Student Ventra P.O. Box 8291 Chicago, IL 60680

Make \$2.00 Personal or Cashier's Check or Money Order, Payable to: Chicago Transit Authority

Your Student Ventra Card will be shipped within 7-10 business days of receipt of a completed order and payment.