



# TRANSPORTATION APPLICATION 2016-2017

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**FOR GUARANTEED SEATING, PAYMENT IS DUE BY THE  
LAST DAY OF THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR (2015-2016).**

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The Plymouth School Department requires payment of a bus fee for all students intending to use bus transportation for the **2016-2017** school year under the following guidelines. Massachusetts General Law CH. 71, S. 68, requires that school committees provide free transportation, once daily, to and from school for students in grades K-6 who live more than two (2) miles from their assigned schools. The statute further requires that students not be required to walk more than one (1) mile from their home to their assigned bus stop. Therefore, no bus fee will be charged for students in Grades K-6 residing two (2) or more miles from their assigned school. **A BUS FEE WILL BE CHARGED** for students in Grades K-6 residing less than two (2) miles from their assigned school, and **all** students in Grades 7-12, regardless of distance.

**In order to qualify for the advance payment discount and to guarantee a seat on the bus for your child, payment must be made prior to the last day of the 2015-2016 school year.** Fees paid after that date will be assessed at the REGULAR FEE RATE. The regular fee rate will be reduced by 50 percent (50%) for students enrolled after February 1<sup>st</sup> (the mid-year point of the school year). One-way bus passes may be purchased at 50 percent (50%) of the regular fee rate. (AM or PM must be noted on application).

REGULAR FEE STRUCTURE		REDUCED FEE
ADVANCE PAYMENT DISCOUNT RATE Before the last day of school (2015-2016)	REGULAR FEE RATE Applies after the last day of school (2015-2016)	Reduced/Free Eligible Rate*
For first student rider	\$100	\$00
For second student rider	\$ 75	\$00
For third student rider	\$ 50	\$00
<b>Maximum per family</b>	<b>\$225</b>	<b>\$00</b>

\*Families that are on TANF, eligible for SNAP, or meet Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines may apply for a waiver of fees. Bus applications should still be submitted.

**PLEASE NOTE – A Massachusetts Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application MUST be filled out annually at the start of the year.**

All rates subject to change.

Transportation applications are sent home with third-term report cards and are available thereafter at your child's school during regular business hours. Bus fees are due in full with this application. **PAYMENTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.** Payments may be made by bank check, money order or personal check only. Personal checks returned for insufficient funds will be charged a \$25 processing fee in addition to the bus fee.

**NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Please make checks payable to: **“TOWN OF PLYMOUTH – BUS FEE.”**

**APPLICATIONS and FULL PAYMENT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO ONE OF THE SCHOOLS WHERE YOU WILL HAVE A CHILD ATTENDING DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR 2016-2017, making sure to include the school names where all other children are enrolled. Secretaries will scan a copy to each school.** Applications may be sent to school with your child until school lets out for the year or they may be mailed during the summer. Visit <http://www.plymouth.k12.ma.us> for addresses. Passes will be distributed in the fall.

**Please complete one (1) application per family and include all students that will attend Plymouth Schools, even if no payment is due and/or student is not using bus transportation.**

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____	Number of children in family attending Plymouth Public Schools: _____
Street Address: _____	Home Phone: _____
Complete Mailing Address, if different: _____	Cell/work Phone: _____

Please list names of all students in family, even if no payment is due.			Please check one:		
Student(s) Name(s)	**School in 2016-17**	Grade in 2016-17	Will use bus	Will not use bus	ALTERNATE transportation if not using bus

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Elig.	Amount Paid	Scanned to other schools

\*\*Please provide school name where each student attends. This application will be scanned to all schools listed. \*\*

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_