School students and



The smarter way for students to travel to and from school.





Introducing the School Opal card

The School Opal card gives eligible students free or discounted travel between home and school using the train, bus, ferry and light rail services you nominate in your application.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for a School Opal card, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants)

There's no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary)

More than 1.6km straight line distance or at least 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary)

More than 2.0km straight line distance or at least 2.9km walking.

Who needs to apply

A new application is only required if the student has not had a School Opal card before.

If your children already have a School Opal card and are changing schools, campuses or going into Year 3 or 7, you will need to update their Opal card for the new school year before mid-December at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts

How to apply

Applications for next year open at the start of Term 4 this year.

Step 1

Once the new school has confirmed your child's enrolment, complete the application at **transportnsw.info/school-students**

Step 2

The school endorses your application.

Step 3

Once Transport for NSW has approved the application, a School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.



If you live too close to be eligible for free travel, you may still qualify for a School Term Bus Pass, which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.



A parent or guardian must apply for students 15 years and under. Students 16 years and over must apply for themselves.



Better together

The School Opal card is only for travel to and from school. So it's a good idea to get a Child/ Youth Opal card for travel after hours, on weekends or during school holidays.

Child/Youth Opal card benefits

- Concession fares across the Opal network
- Half-price travel after eight paid journeys each week*
- \$1 transfer discount for every transfer between modes (train, ferry, bus or light rail) as part of one journey within 60 minutes from the last tap off
- Set auto top up and link it to your credit or debit card so there's always enough value on the card to travel.

Find out more and apply at **opal.com.au** or pick one up from an Opal retailer. To find one in your area visit **retailers.opal.com.au**



Secondary students aged 16 and over can travel with a Child/Youth Opal card when carrying a NSW/ACT Senior Secondary Student Concession Card, available from school and TAFE offices.



^{*} Excluding Sydney Airport station access fee.



For more information call 131 500 or visit transportnsw.info/school-students

Privacy

The personal information collected for the purposes of the Opal Ticketing System will be treated in accordance with the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) (PPIPA).* For information on how we handle such personal information please refer to the Opal Privacy Policy published on **opal.com.au**

Terms of Use

By ordering, using a School Opal Card you agree to be bound by the School Pass Terms and the Student Codes of Conduct, available at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts.

Information correct as at September 2016.

For help in your language, call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on **131 450**.

如果您需要中文帮助,您可以拨打笔译和传译服务 Translating and Interpreting Services (TIS) 的电话 131 450。

Appelez le Service de traduction et d'interprétation ou TIS (Translating & Interpreting Services) au 131 450 pour demander de l'assistance dans votre langue.

Um Hilfe in Ihrer Sprache zu erhalten, rufen Sie den Übersetzer- und Dolmetscherdienst unter 131 450 an.

Για βοήθεια στα ελληνικά, καλέστε τις υπηρεσίες μετάφρασης και διερμηνείας (TIS) στο 131 450.

Per ricevere assistenza in italiano, chiamate il Servizio Traduttori e Interpreti (TIS) al numero 131 450.

あなたの母国語での補助は、電話131 450の翻訳通訳サービスにおかけ下さい。

한국어로 도움을 원하시면, 통번역 서비스 (TIS) 131 450 번으로 전화하십시오.

Para obtener más información en español, llame al Servicio de traducción e interpretación (Translating and Interpreting Services), al 131 450.

Muốn được giúp đỡ bằng tiếng Việt, quý vị gọi cho Dịch vụ Thông Phiên dịch (TIS) qua số 131 450.