

eStem Students Ride Fare-Free on Rock Region METRO Transit!

Welcome to Dropping the Caregiver Taxi and Teaching Your Student Global Citizen Skills!

How It Works

- 1. Get Your Student's eStem Schools ID at the School Front Office and Make Sure It Has the Fall 2023 Semester Red Security Sticker Affixed to the Front of the ID Before Aug. 31, 2023
- 2. Have Your Student Present the ID to the METRO Bus Operator or METRO Connect Driver Upon Boarding
- 3. Mark Your Calendar for Getting Your Student's Security Sticker Updated at the School Front Office in January 2024 to the Winter/Spring/Summer Semester Sticker Color (update the sticker by Jan. 31, 2024)

Important — Notes For Trip-Planning

• METRO is operating at reduced service, post-pandemic. Find the most updated Google map of the Little Rock and North Little Rock bus and microtransit network under the rrmetro.org Services tab, under Bus Maps & Schedules or METRO Connect Zones & Hours. The eStem Schools fare

agreement only applies to Little Rock and North Little Rock service; it does **not** apply to the METRO Connect Conway Zone, which is specific to Conway only and does not connect with any transit service in Pulaski County.

- Tentatively slated for late September, METRO is transitioning from its current METRO Connect ride request software, Transloc, to a new software vendor and will be scheduling public information meetings to share more about the transition in advance. Follow service alerts and rrmetro social media pages and sign up for the free enewsletter at the bottom of rrmetro.org to stay abreast of these announcements. Once the microtransit software vendor transition is complete, the Transloc app will no longer operate for making METRO Connect ride requests on the Rock Region METRO system.
- The **METRO Streetcar stop at World Avenue & 3rd Street is not in service** until approximately December 2024 to accommodate I-30 construction.

Additional Key Information



Students are expected to follow METRO's Code of Conduct, which can be found under the Rider Info/Rider Information section of rrmetro.org. Failure to follow the Code of Conduct could result in suspension from the transit system.



If your student has never used transit before, families are encouraged to practice on a low stakes day, such as on a weekend, to help them learn how the system works.

Please note weekend

schedules differ from weekday schedules. Visit rrmetro.org/metro-

transit-101/ for more information on planning trips and rrmetro.org/services/metro-connect/ for "how to" microtransit information.



The following free apps are recommended to be downloaded:

- METROtrack Track a bus or streetcar in real time to know exactly when it will arrive at a specific stop.
- TransLoc Book a microtransit ride and stay informed on ride status with push notifications.

Free WiFi is available on all fixed route buses.



Things happen in life.
Please train your student
to always check for
service alerts before every
trip of his/her/their day to
keep in-the-know about
detours, service delays
and other transit life curve
balls. Service alerts may
be found at the top of
rrmetro.org or within the
Service Alerts submenu of
the METROtrack app and
TransLoc app.

Still Need Help?

Contact **METRO Customer Service** Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at 501-375-6717 Menu Option No. 2.



eStem East Village Campus Shuttle

Connects Riders from the Downtown Little Rock Transit Station to the East Village Campus

Monday-Friday on eStem School Days (Not in Operation During Days When School is Not in Session)

Morning Transit Center to East Village Campus Shuttle

• Departs at 7:30 a.m.

Afternoon East Village Campus Shuttle to Transit Center

• Departs at 2:55 p.m. and 3:35 p.m.

Students: Have your eStem photo ID ready to show the vehicle driver immediately upon boarding.