

**Get on Board – Kids 12 and Under Ride Free starting September 1, 2021**

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Starting Wednesday, September 1, children 12 and under will be able to ride TransLink services free of charge as part of a new provincial program. The program will make transit more affordable for families and help to encourage children to become lifelong transit riders.

Here's what you need to know about children 12 and under riding our different services:

### **Riding the bus**

Children 12 and under will be able to ride buses free of charge without requiring a transit pass, identification or an accompanying fare paying customer.

### **Riding SkyTrain, SeaBus, and West Coast Express**

Children 12 and under will be able to ride on SkyTrain, SeaBus, and West Coast Express free of charge only if accompanied by a fare paying customer. A fare paying customer can accompany up to a maximum of four children through the fare gates.

Children 12 and under will continue to be able to access the gated system by themselves with the purchase of a fare to tap through fare gates.

### **Riding HandyDART**

Children 12 and under who are registered HandyDART customers or children who are accompanying a registered HandyDART customer will be able to travel for free on HandyDART without requiring a fare product or identification.

While travel for children 12 and under will be free, parents and guardians are responsible for educating and making decisions about the safety and care of their children whenever travelling on transit. This includes when children are travelling unaccompanied where permitted and determining if their children can or should take transit independently.

Please visit [translink.ca/kidsridefree](https://translink.ca/kidsridefree) for more information about the program. For resources and youth travel initiatives, please visit the [TravelSmart page](#) under the “TravelSmart for Schools” section.