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Metro to Streamline Application Process for Student ID Cards

A pilot program aimed at streamlining the application process for Los Angeles Unified School District high school students is set to begin in August at seven area high schools.

Under the new pilot program, staff at selected high schools will help students fill out their applications for Metro Identification Cards with the goal of speeding up the process. The ID Card allows students to buy monthly Metro bus and train passes at a discount for \$20 instead of the regular price of \$52. If the program is successful, Metro plans to expand it to other LAUSD high schools.

“We hope this new pilot program is successful in effectively streamlining the application process,” said Metro CEO Roger Snoble.

Seven Los Angeles Unified high schools are participating in the pilot project. They include: Belmont, Carson, Cleveland, Eagle Rock, Fairfax, Los Angeles and Verdugo high schools.

Staff also is evaluating a program that could be implemented this Fall where students at Los Angeles County elementary and junior high schools would no longer be required to submit applications and photos. Participating schools will issue a photoless student ID card, which will continue to allow the purchase of the \$20 student stamp. Schools may also be requested to gather optional data information for statistical tracking of the success of this program.

Future plans would allow the ID Cards to be valid for two years instead of one year. Also under evaluation for implementation is a program allowing students to purchase a Metro Day Pass for \$1.50, the same price as disabled and senior citizens.

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