



**The Abraham Joshua Heschel School**  
**Miriam & Isaac Blech Early Childhood Center**  
**Henry Lindenbaum Lower School**  
270 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10024  
**The Joseph Slifka Middle School**  
314 West 91<sup>st</sup> Street, New York, NY 10024  
**The Abraham Joshua Heschel High School**  
**The Joseph and Sylvia Slifka Building**  
20 West End Avenue, New York, NY, 10023

## STUDENT METROCARD INFORMATION SHEET

Over the summer, all students who are not requesting school bus service are automatically registered for a Student MetroCard, at which point OPT determines each student's eligibility.

In order to determine your student's eligibility for a MetroCard, The Office of Pupil Transportation will calculate the distance from your home to school and confirm your child's fare status. **OPT is unwavering about its decision.** The following information determines your child's fare status and can be found at the OPT website: <http://opt-osfns.org/opt/MetroCards>.

Grade	Distance from Residence to School	Eligible For
K-2	Less than ½ mile	Half Fare*
K-2	½ mile or more	Full Fare**
3-6	Between ½ mile and 1 mile	Half Fare*
3-6	1 mile or more	Full Fare**
7-12	Between ½ mile and 1 ½ miles	Half Fare*
7-12	More than 1 ½ miles	Full Fare**

\*Students entitled to the Half Fare MetroCard may ride bus only and must contribute half of the normal bus fare. They are provided with one free transfer to any other bus, but **are not** provided with a free transfer from the bus to the NYC subway. **Bus → Bus** only.

\*\*Students with Full Fare cards are entitled to one trip on the bus or subway, which includes one free transfer to any other public NYC bus or subway. **Bus → Bus OR Bus → Subway OR Subway → Bus.**

Students can travel with the Student MetroCards between the hours of 5:30AM and 8:30PM only on the days The Heschel School is in session. Only the student to whom the card is issued may use the card. Please write your child's name on the card when you receive it.

If your child misplaces his or her Student MetroCard, please inform the school and a replacement card will be issued.

MetroCard Exceptions: You cannot transfer between M27 and M50; M31 and M57; M96 and M106; Bx40 and Bx42; M1, M2, M3, and M4; Fifth Ave and Madison Ave buses; M101, M102, and M103; Lexington Ave and Third Ave buses; Bx1 and Bx2; and a bus going south on Grand Concourse and one going north.

Student MetroCards are also good on these private bus lines:

- Command Bus Company
- Jamaica Buses
- Triboro Coach
- Green Bus Lines
- Queens Surface