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Summertime Transit is Free for SLO County Youth

K-12 students can ride fixed route buses in SLO County for free.

San Luis Obispo, Calif. (May 23, 2019) – Students in grades K-12 can ride the bus at no cost beginning Friday, June 7th and Saturday, June 8th – depending on which fixed route service you choose (*see the schedule below*). No gimmicks and no red tape – just board the bus, present your student ID, and ride for FREE. This promotion includes all fixed route service on RTA, SLO Transit, South County Transit, Paso Express, and Morro Bay, but does not include the Morro Bay Trolley and Dial-A-Ride services. Additionally, elementary school kids do not need to present a student ID.

Youth Ride Free 2019 Service Dates by Provider

Bus Operator	YRF Service Dates
Regional Transit Authority (RTA)	June 8 – August 14, 2019
South County Transit (SCT)	June 8 – August 14, 2019
Paso Express	June 8 – August 14, 2019
San Luis Obispo Transit (SLO Transit)	June 7 – August 25, 2019
Morro Bay Transit	June 7 – August 17, 2019

Getting our region’s kids out of the house and active in the community is our number one goal, and taking the bus helps kids achieve just that. Using transit involves walking or biking to transit and engaging with others in the community. With this promotion, we hope that students will use their summer to explore the rich variety of opportunities our county has to offer, like the beach, wildlife, bike and recreational areas, historical sites, special events, museums, parks, and libraries.

Parents will also benefit from Youth Ride Free by saving money on gas and creating less wear and tear on their cars. The program increases awareness of other public transit benefits, too, like reducing traffic congestion and contributing to a more sustainable planet and lifestyle. Youth Ride Free is a joint effort of the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments’ Regional Rideshare Division and participating transit operators.

To plan a trip by bus, visit SLO511.org.



About San Luis Obispo Regional Rideshare

SLO Regional Rideshare is dedicated to reducing the number of single occupant vehicles on San Luis Obispo County's roads and highways, conserving fuel, reducing air pollution and making it easier for commuters to get to work or school. A division of the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments, SLO Regional Rideshare provides programs for commuters, employers, youth, seniors and visitors. For more information about SLO Regional Rideshare, visit www.rideshare.org.