

RIDING MUNI WITH CHILDREN: BUILDING REAL LIFE SKILLS

A GUIDE FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS & FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES



Before the Trip



- Review the step-by-step guide for how to plan your trip, pay for tickets, and ride all MUNI vehicles: <http://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/transit/how-ride>
- Plan the bus routes ahead of time, ideally for non-peak transit times
- Have a meeting with staff, chaperones, and children about the rules on MUNI and practice on and off-boarding and riding

On-boarding



- Wait for the vehicle to stop and for the doors to open before approaching
- Let passengers get off first before on-boarding
- One adult should enter first and help each child onto the bus
- Say hello to the bus driver and let them know your exit stop

Off-boarding



- Thank the driver when off-boarding
- An adult should be the last to exit the bus after checking that all kids have exited
- Count children to ensure everyone is there
- Wait for the bus/train to depart and look both ways before crossing the street



Bus Stops/Train Stations

- Arrive at the bus stop/train station early
- Purchase adult fares only- kids ride for free!
- Teachers/chaperones should hold children's hands when riding escalators, using stairs, on-boarding and off-boarding
- Keep children a few feet away from the curb or behind the yellow edge tiles



Riding the bus/train

- Children should sit when bus is moving if possible
- Hold children's hands if they must stand
- Let children know how many stops there will be
- Move children toward the doorway one stop before exiting

