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RE: Changes to GoCard discount for students starting September 1, 2016.

Dear Principal,

As you may be aware, TransLink offers discounted transit fares to high school students across Metro Vancouver. Each year, over 120,000 secondary students are eligible to use concession fare products on TransLink's network, so long as they are travelling with valid student identification with a GoCard decal from their school as proof of eligibility.

Beginning this fall, we want to make it easier for eligible youth to use transit throughout the region and conveniently access concession fares.

Effective September 1, 2016, a GoCard decal will no longer be required on student IDs and all youth 14 to 18 years old will be eligible for concession fares with valid photo identification. Acceptable ID will include:

- a valid school identification card issued by any secondary school which displays the student's photograph, name, school and validation by a school official; or
- a picture identification issued by any national, provincial or state government agency showing age or date of birth.

Should you have any questions about this change, please contact our TravelSmart team at [info@travelsmart.ca](mailto:info@travelsmart.ca). We look forward to continuing to provide Metro Vancouver students with access to concession rate fares on our integrated transit network.

Sincerely,

Delena Paulson  
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