**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Grades K-5: Students living 1 mile or more and living within the home base will receive yellow bus service

**Maximum walk distance to stop:** .5 miles

Grade 6: Students living 1.5 miles or more and living within the home base will receive yellow bus service.

**Maximum walk distance to stop:** 1 mile

**CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Grades K-6: Students in charter schools only need to need the same mileage requirements as public school students.

**PRIVATE/PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS**

Elementary students (K-5) and students 5 years old by September 1st who live 1 mile or more from the school and live within the school zone receive yellow bus service

**ALL 7-12th GRADERS**

As of September of 2019 all students grades 7-12 living and attending school in Boston will receive an M7 T Pass regardless of the distance they live from the school.

**WHERE'S MY SCHOOL BUS TRACKING APP**

[www.schoolbus.bostonpublicschools.org](http://www.schoolbus.bostonpublicschools.org)

The Where's My School Bus application allows you to track the location of your student's school bus.

Sign in by entering the Parent/Guardian's Last Name, Student Number, and Student's Date of Birth.

**CONTACT US**

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