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Dear College/Adult Education Center Partner:

Please be advised that effective July 1, 2010, all college, university, and vocational/technical school students enrolled in Miami-Dade Transit's (MDT's) College Discount Pass program must show a valid student identification (ID) when using their monthly College Discount Pass to ride on Metrobus or Metrorail.

Currently, nearly all schools participating in our College Discount Program issue student IDs. The few that do not must begin doing so by July 1 in order to remain in the program.

This new requirement is designed to reduce fraudulent and unauthorized use of College Discount Pass EASY Tickets, whether by non-students or former students who are no longer enrolled with an eligible school. As a further safeguard against fraud, the College Discount Pass EASY Ticket's color will be changed from blue to orange to allow for easier identification by Transit personnel. (Sample attached)

Students using a College Discount Pass must present their student ID to our bus operators whenever boarding a bus, and must also be prepared to present their student ID to a security officer or a transit official at any time when riding Metrorail or Metrobus. Passengers using a College Discount Pass without a valid student ID are unauthorized and subject to prosecution and having their pass confiscated in accordance with Florida Statute 812.015.

Posters notifying customers of this policy change will be installed throughout the transit system and at participating schools, but we need your cooperation to ensure that students are made aware of it. An MDT representative also will be visiting your location to discuss the new policy.

Please inform your students of the new requirement whenever they purchase an MDT College Discount Pass and during the registration/orientation process for new students, as well as through your other channels of communication, including school notifications, publications, campus website, inter-campus e-mail systems, MySpace, Facebook, etc.

Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Miami-Dade Transit at 786-469-5414.

Sincerely,


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