Welcome to EasyPass!

Your Peralta Colleges EasyPass – Merritt College, gives you access to the East Bay, San Francisco, and the Peninsula. Use this handy pocket guide to learn how to get around using AC Transit. Our buses run 24 hours a day in more than two dozen cities and unincorporated areas, and we cross the Bay, San Mateo, and Dumbarton bridges.

Planning Your AC Transit Trip

There are four ways to plan your AC Transit trip:

- Pick up our printed maps and schedules from locations around the Peralta campuses.
- Call the AC Transit Information Center at 511 (and say, “AC Transit,” then say, “Information”).

Using NextBus™ Real-Time Bus Arrival

NextBus is AC Transit’s real-time bus arrival predictor. You can use it on the Web, cell phones, or at NextBus bus stop displays [at certain stops] to find out when the next bus is coming. Visit www.actransit.org/nextbus to find out how to use NextBus.

Printed Maps & Schedules

We publish two system maps that together cover the AC Transit service area: San Pablo to Oakland, and San Leandro to Fremont. We also publish individual pocket schedules with a route map for each bus line.

Using Pocket Schedules

Most pocket schedules list several of the bus stops along the route, with the times the bus is expected to arrive at each stop. These stops are called “time points.” There are usually additional bus stops between the time points. Just find the time point closest to where you are starting your AC Transit trip and read down the column under the time point in order to find the time you need to be at the bus stop.

Boarding the Bus

Bus stops are marked with the AC Transit logo and display the bus lines that stop there. Most bus lines have stops every few blocks. Make sure you are on the correct side of the street for your direction of travel. Wait for the bus as close as possible to the bus stop pole to make it easier for the bus operator to see you. You don’t have to signal the bus, but doing so will help ensure that the operator doesn’t miss you by mistake. When the bus arrives, check the line number or letter to make sure it’s the bus you want.

Stopping the Bus

Request your stop by pulling the cord, pressing the button on the pole, or pressing the button above your head (on the green, commuter-style buses). The “Stop Requested” sign will light. If you are not sure when your stop will be coming up, ask the operator to let you know.

Accessibility

All AC Transit buses have built-in features—passenger lifts, ramps, handrails, and kneelers—that make it easier for seniors and persons with disabilities to ride. Priority seating is clearly marked on every bus with signs above or near the seats. If you are a senior or a person with a disability, you may ask the operator to remind non-disabled passengers to vacate a seat for you.

Bringing Your Bicycle

All AC Transit buses have a rack on the front for two bikes. You may load a bicycle at any time of day, with no extra fare or permit. Cyclists must load and unload their own bikes.

Class Pass Destinations Map

On the back of this guide, you will find a handy map of restaurants, shopping districts, selected BART stations, and entertainment options that you can get to by using your EasyPass on bus lines that travel near the Peralta College campuses. AC Transit can get you nearly anywhere a car can, without the parking hassles or expense! Hop on board any line and begin a new adventure. Be sure to double check the schedule before you ride to ensure the line is running when you want.

For more information, visit:
www.actransit.org
www.actransit.org/easypass
www.peralta.edu/easypass
Places to Go with Your Peralta Colleges EasyPass: 
Merritt College

Transfer to the following lines at MacArthur Blvd.:

**Line 14:**
- Fruitvale Plaza Shopping (Powderface Coffee and Beignets, Acapulco Records – Latin music)
- Fruitvale BART
- Laney College
- Downtown Oakland

**Line 57:**
- Eastmont Transit Center
- Dimond Shopping (Farmer Joe’s Marketplace, La Farine Bakery)
- Loard’s Ice Cream
- Lakeshore Shopping (Arizmendi Bakery, Waldon Pond Books)
- Grand Lake Theatre
- Kaiser Hospital
- Piedmont Shopping (Barney’s, Fenton’s Creamery)
- Piedmont Cinemas
- MacArthur BART
- East Bay Bridge Center (Office Depot, Best Buy)

**Line 58L:**
- Dimond Shopping (Farmer Joe’s Marketplace, La Farine Bakery)
- Oakland Museum of California
- Chinatown
- Regal Cinemas Jack London Stadium 9
- Jack London Square (Yoshi’s Jazz Club, Miss Pearl’s Jam House)
- Amtrak, Jack London Square

**Line 54:**
- Lincoln Square Center (Sparky’s Giant Burgers, Safeway)
- Farmer Joe’s Marketplace
- Fruitvale Plaza Shopping (Powderface Coffee and Beignets, Acapulco Records – Latin music)
- Fruitvale BART

**Line NL:**
- Eastmont Transit Center
- Dimond Shopping (Farmer Joe’s Marketplace, La Farine Bakery)
- Lake Merritt
- Lakeshore Shopping (Arizmendi Bakery, Waldon Pond Books)
- Kaiser Center
- Downtown Oakland
- Oakland Ice Center Rink
- Fox Theatre
- Paramount Theatre
- Great Western Power (rock climbing and sports)
- San Francisco

**Line NX3:**
- Eastmont Transit Center
- San Francisco

**Line 805:**
- Eastmont Transit Center
- Coliseum BART
- Oakland International Airport

To go to Berkeley City College:
From Line 54, at 35th Ave. and International Blvd., transfer to Line 1/1R

To go to College of Alameda:
From Line 54, at 35th Ave. and International Blvd., transfer to Line 1/1R (or at 35th Ave. and Foothill Blvd., transfer to Line 40) and go to 12th Street, Downtown Oakland, to transfer to either Line 31 or 51A

To go to Laney College:
From Line 54, at 35th Ave. and International Blvd., transfer to Line 1/1R (or at 35th Ave. and Foothill Blvd., transfer to Line 40) and go to 12th and Oak Street, and walk 3 – 4 blocks

1 From Eastmont Transit Center, transfer to Line 73 or 805 (all nighters) to get to the Oakland International Airport.

2 On Lines 57, 58L, NL, from Fruitvale and MacArthur Blvd., transfer to Line 39 or 339 to go to Chabot Space & Science Center, Joaquin Miller Park, and Redwood Regional Park.

Check before you ride – line schedules vary with direction and time.