

PARK & RIDE

WITH AMANDA

I'm Amanda and I live in the Moose Can Gully neighborhood at the top of Gharrett St. I commute to campus every day during the week and I mostly use the Park & Ride.

I opt for Park & Ride at least twice a week- sometimes three if I choose to do homework on campus after dropping off my daughter at preschool. I started using the Park & Ride fall semester of 2024.

Parking on campus is expensive, feels impossible, and is literally being overtaken by buildings anyway. This way I don't have to fight campus traffic and that's really motivating. Plus, I was familiar with riding transit on route 12 when my apartment was on the route in undergrad.

I used to think that Park & Ride was only for students who live in student housing or that it cost as much as

a parking permit, but that's not true. Park and Ride lots are in the Dornblaser and Lewis & Clark parking lots and it only costs about \$27 a semester. Buses run about every 20 minutes- whether UDASH OR Mountain Line- so I know I'll catch something.

I enjoy the commute, saving money on gas and parking, getting a break from driving and having time to sit and listening to my podcasts. I've also really found the benefit going to concerts on campus! Not having to park near the stadium and being able to catch a ride responsibly has been awesome. Also, my 3 year old LOVES riding on the bus.

One of my recent memories on the park and ride was with my daughter. She was so excited to be on the bus that she started singing "Wheels on the Bus" on a pretty busy bus morning,
