

= Chester ( TTC ) =

Chester is a subway station on the Bloor – Danforth line in Toronto , Ontario , Canada . The station is located on Chester Avenue just north of Danforth Avenue . It opened in 1966 as one of the original stations of this subway line . The Toronto Parking Authority operates a public parking lot across Chester Avenue opposite the subway entrance .

= = History = =

Chester station was opened on February 25 , 1966 , along with the rest of the first phase of the Bloor – Danforth line which operated between Keele and Woodbine stations .

Following the design style set by the stations of the Bloor – Danforth line , Chester station uses a two colour theme with the station 's name in the Toronto Subway Font . In keeping with the style , Chester 's colours match the ' opposing ' stations on the western half of the subway line : the trim tiles are blue and complement Lansdowne station , while the light green main tiles complement the original tile colour for Dufferin station .

= = Facilities = =

Chester station has one entrance which is located on Chester Avenue just north of Danforth Avenue . A walkway leads to the station from a nearby street to allow access to the station from the west side . The nearby communities that are served by this station are Greektown , Withrow Park , Riverdale , and Broadview North . In addition to serving these communities , Chester station is commonly used to access local street festivals such as the Taste of the Danforth .

Although the station is rated as high priority in the requirement for a second exit , Chester is the only one left on the east end of the Bloor – Danforth line where design work and consultation has yet to be done .

The Gateway Newsstand kiosk at the station , which had been vacant for over six years , was reopened on May 8 , 2015 as " The Artist Newsstand " by a group of local artists led by Jess Dobkin . Along with the usual offerings of newspapers , magazines and drinks , The Artist Newsstand is a performance and gallery space for artists as well as being staffed by artists , as a way of funding their work . A \$ 4000 Kickstarter campaign was launched to fund the renovation of the kiosk , with the campaign successfully raising \$ 4 @, @ 931 . The Artist Newsstand will operate in the space for one year .

= = Service = =

Chester station is served by the Bloor – Danforth line which operates between Kennedy and Kipling stations . The station was designed to be serviced with side platforms as it mainly serves the surrounding neighbourhood . As it is the only station in the system that is not connected to a regular bus or streetcar route it is one of the least used subway stations in Toronto . The 300 Bloor – Danforth Night and 303 Don Mills Night Bus operates on Danforth from 1 : 30 @-@ 5 : 30 a.m. after the line is shut down for nightly maintenance .