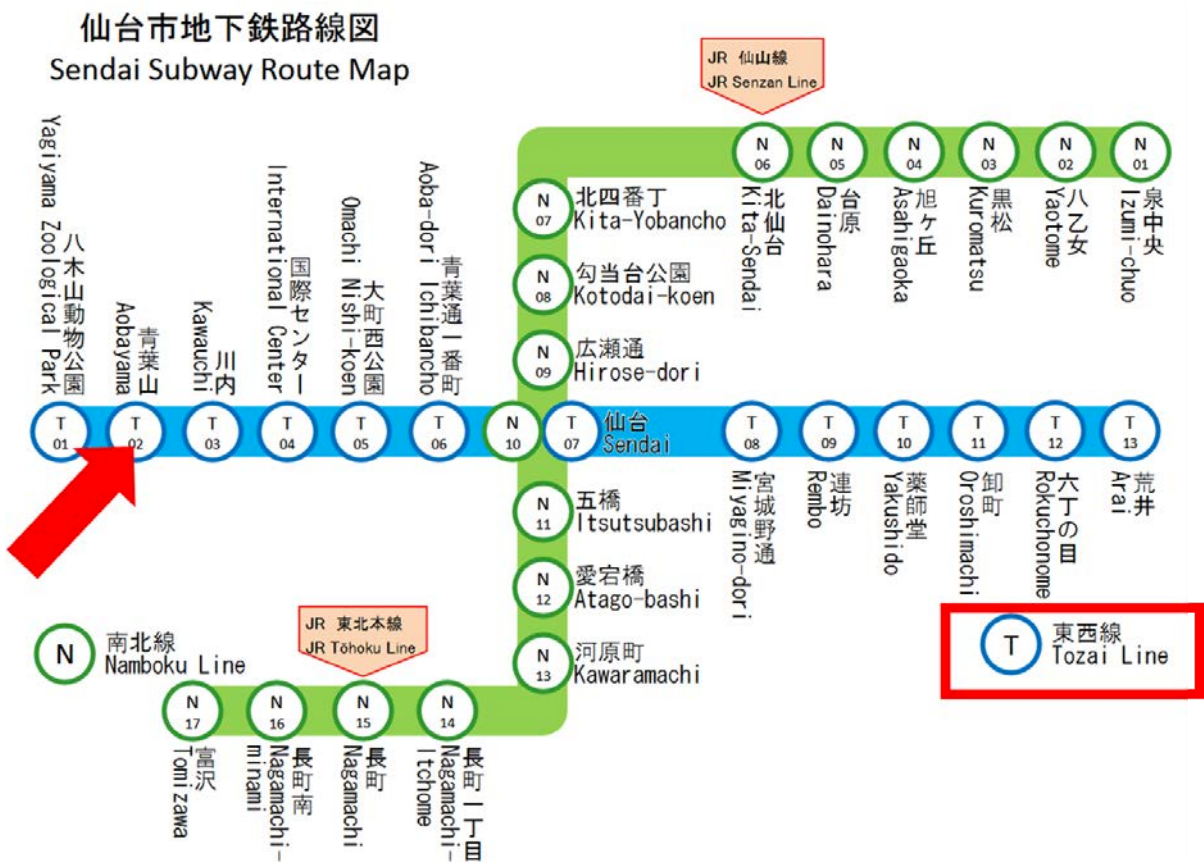


Getting to NanoTerasu from Sendai

Sendai Subway Information

NanoTerasu is located near the **Aobayama** subway station on the **Tozai Line**. It takes ~9 minutes to travel from Sendai Station to Aobayama by subway, and ~2 minutes between each stop.

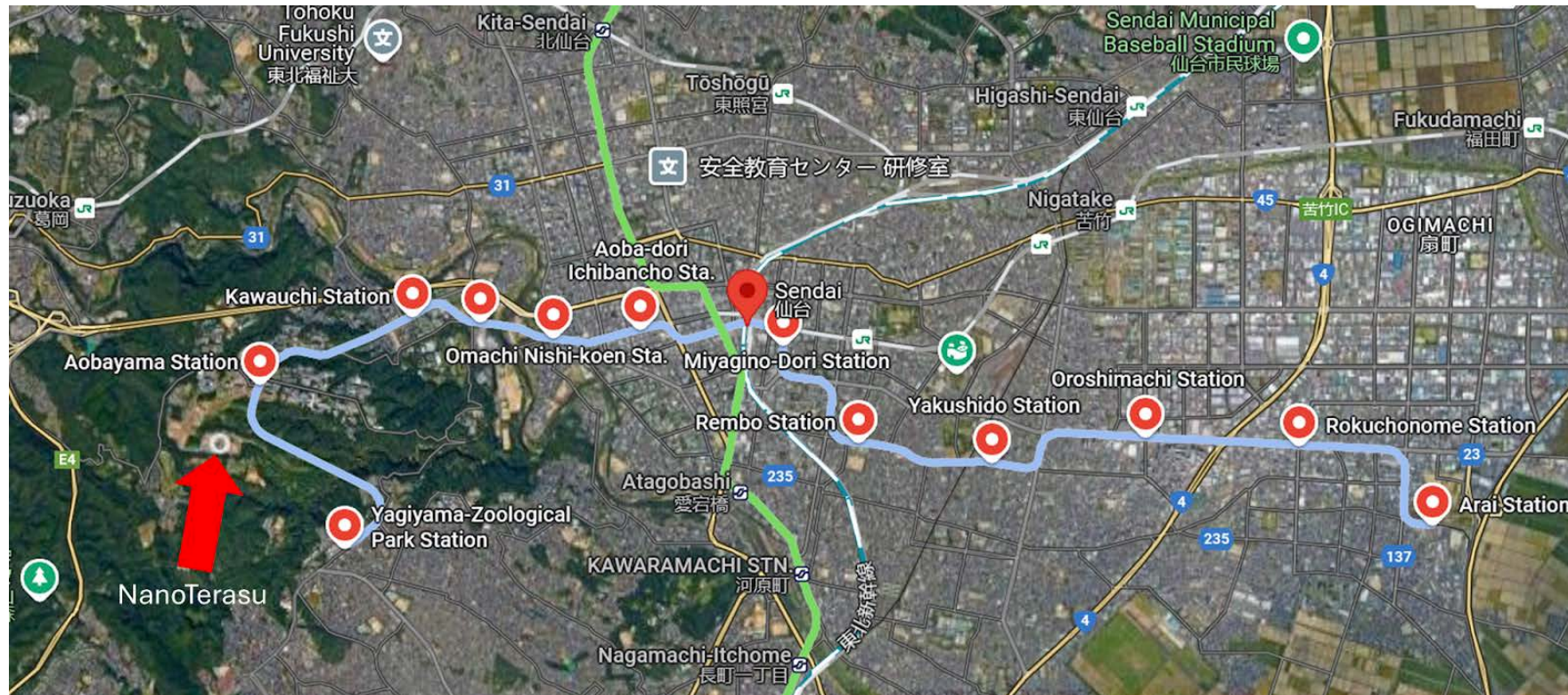


To get to Aobayama on the Tozai line, please board the train in the direction of **Yagiya Zoo**. This train will be on Platform 4 at Sendai Station then Platform 2 for all other Tozai Line stations (more information on how to find the subway platforms in Sendai Station later).

Accommodation and Tozai/Sendai Map

As NanoTerasu does not have a guesthouse, you will have to book your own hotel in Sendai. It is therefore convenient to find a hotel close to any station on the Tozai line. For your information, Aoba-dori Ichibancho station and Sendai Station are at the heart of the city.

You can access the map with each Tozai line station saved here: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/kw7aqJVpXoBgwWfy5>



Navigating Sendai Station

How to find the subway lines at Sendai Station:

If you enter through the main West entrance on the 2nd floor (pictured below)...



...immediately turn right and head towards the downwards escalators in the corner of the building:



Turn right at the bottom of the escalators.



Then exit the door and continue to follow the signs for the subway:



Keep going:



You will finally arrive at the ticket gate. From here just follow the **Tozai Line** signs to get to the platform.



At Sendai station, the Yagiyama Zoological Park direction is on platform 4.
Board the **Yagiyama Zoological Park** train and get off at **Aobayama** (second to last stop):



Please also observe the Japanese custom of queuing politely before the train arrives in designated areas outside of the boarding gate:



Buying Tickets/Local IC Card

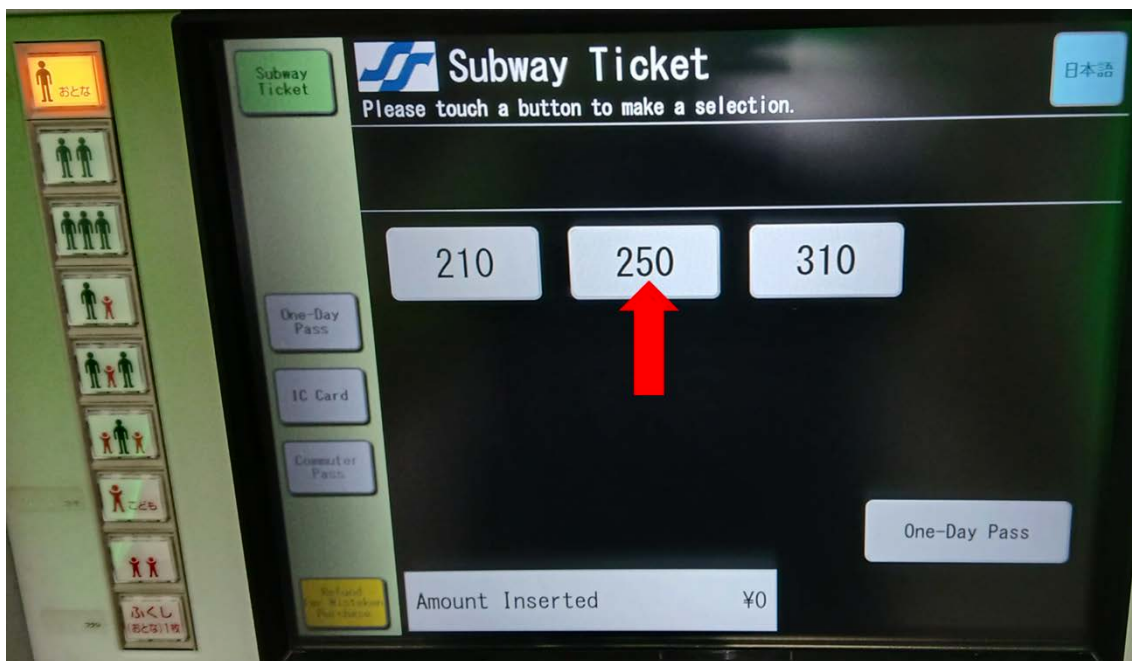
There are 3 options you can choose to pay for your travel on the subway:

Normal Ticket

Press “tickets”



The fare from Sendai Station to Aobayama is ¥250:

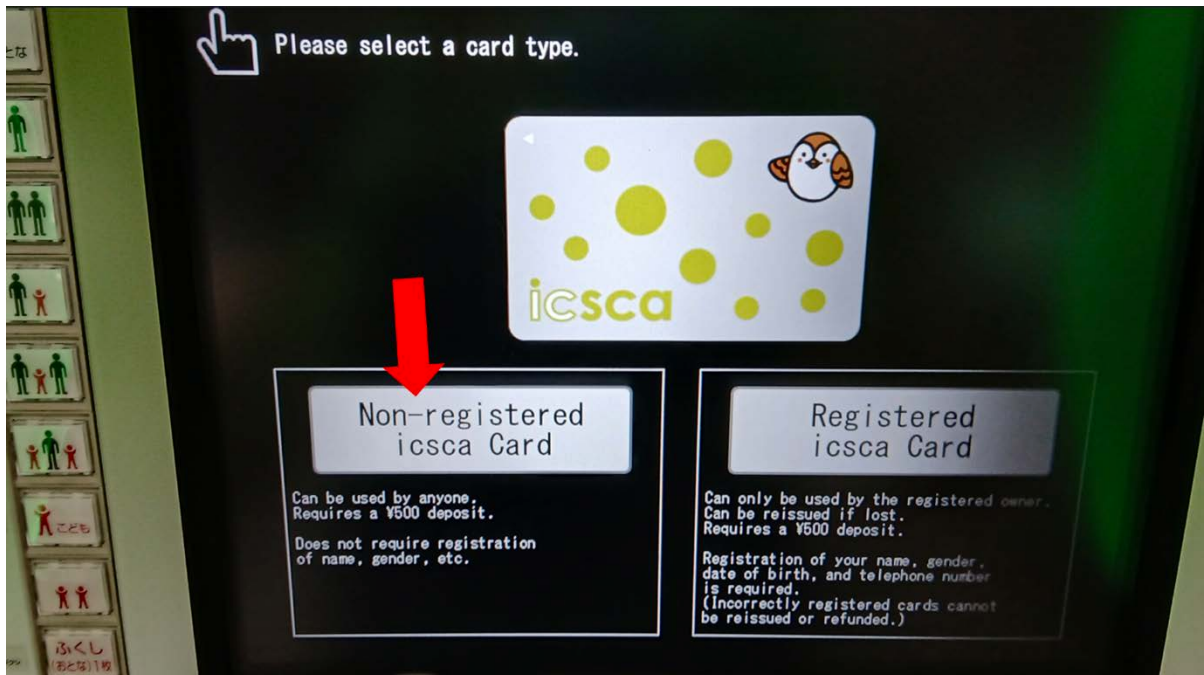


https://www.kotsu.city.sendai.jp/subway/station/sendai_T07.html

Please see this webpage for more fare information

ICSCA IC Card

You can also buy an IC card to make travel faster and easier. These can be purchased at the ticket vending machine too and charged with money.



Choose the non-registered card and load it with enough money to cover your expected trips to and from NanoTerasu during your beamtime (given that one trip will cost ¥250).

Note: Your balance will be displayed on the small screen as you tap your card on the ticket gate. If you forget to charge your card and board the train, you can load your card at the orange "fare adjustment" machines before the exit gate of every station.

In order to have a receipt for reimbursement by your institution, insert your card into the vending machine and choose "refill". In this menu, you can print out a history of your fares at the end of your trip.

Note: any IC card is compatible (SUICA, ICOCA, etc), so you can use that instead and purchase one elsewhere in Japan (for example, if you fly to Tokyo). Note that IC cards only provide travel within IC areas- i.e. you cannot travel from Sendai - Tokyo on your IC card, you will need a dedicated ticket. See [here](#) for more information on SUICA.



One-Day Passes

If you anticipate you will be moving between Sendai and NanoTerasu twice or more per day (or you wish to do some sightseeing), it is more cost-effective to buy a One-Day Pass for ¥840 or ¥620 on weekends:

The One-day Subway Pass

The One-day Subway Pass lets you ride both subway lines as many times as you like in one day. Holders are entitled to discounts at certain facilities.

- **Price**

[Weekdays] Adults: 840 yen Children: 420 yen

Saturdays/Sundays/Holidays: Adults: 620 yen Children: 310 yen

※These tickets are only available from automatic ticket vending machines.

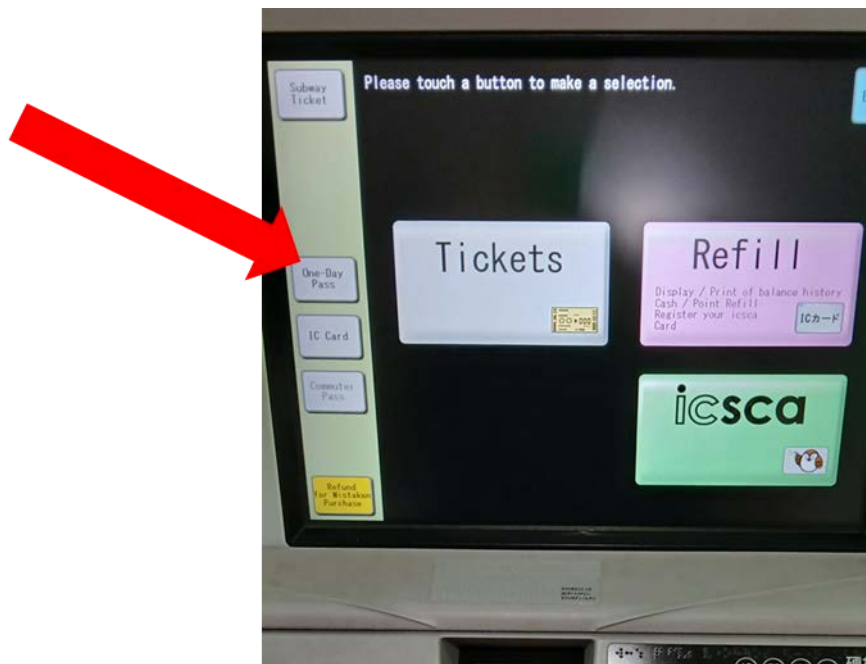
- **Validity period**

Only valid on the day of purchase.

※Advance purchases and block purchases are available from station office.



Reference: [Transportation Bureau City of Sendai website](#)



Arriving at Aobayama Station

Exit Aobayama Station from the **south exit**. You can take the free campus shuttle bus from the location pictured.



Make sure you board the bus with the red sign on its side for NanoTerasu (otherwise you'll end up at the wrong campus).



Alternatively you can walk and take directions from the NanoTerasu website (https://nanoterasu.jp/access_en/). You can also find the shuttle bus timetable [here](#).

It is quite a climb to walk from Aobayama Station to NanoTerasu – I do not recommend this in Summer!