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PURPOSE:

MTA Long Island Rail Road Offering Extra Service & Reduced Fares For the Extended Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend *Off-Peak & Family Fare Pricing in Effect Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday*

MTA Long Island Rail Road is ready for the extended Thanksgiving holiday weekend with additional train service to get travelers where they want to go and off-peak ticket pricing they will find very attractive.

- The extra trains start rolling on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 23, with a dozen extra get afternoon eastbound trains to handle the rush of customers fleeing out the workplace early for the holiday weekend.
- On Thanksgiving Day, November 24, there will be extra trains to get you into the city for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and extra trains to get you home when the festivities end.
- On Black Friday, November 28, one of the busiest shopping days of the year, the LIRR will run a regular weekday schedule with tickets at the lower, off-peak fares.
- There will also be extra trains running on Saturday, November 26 and Sunday, November 27, making travel to and from New York City a snap for shopping, dining and entertainment. It's the first of six consecutive weekends that the LIRR will beef up service to meet the holiday season demand.

Off-Peak Fares in Effect Thursday thru Sunday

As a holiday bonus, the LIRR will offer tickets at off-peak prices over the four-day weekend Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24 through Sunday, November 27. Additionally, the Railroad's Family Fare Discount will be in effect all four days. That means kids ages 5-11 (limit of 4 children) can ride one-way for \$1 when accompanied by a fare paying parent or guardian. However, those tickets must be purchased before you board the train. Weekly and monthly ticket holders pay just for the kids and, as always, children under 5 ride free.

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The agencies of the MTA

MTA New York City Transit
MTA Long Island Rail Road

MTA Metro-North Railroad
MTA Bridges and Tunnels

MTA Capital Construction
MTA Bus Company

Thanksgiving Weekend (Nov. 23-Nov. 27) Service Highlights

Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 23

Eastbound – 12 Extra Trains Departing from Penn Station

Babylon Branch

- The 2:19 p.m. train express to Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon.
- The 2:32 p.m. train express to Lynbrook, then all stops to Babylon.
- The 3:00 p.m. train stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon.
- The 3:31 p.m. express to Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon.

Port Jefferson Branch

- The 2:08 p.m. train stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, then all stops to Huntington.
- The 2:29 p.m. train stopping at Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then all stops to Huntington.
- The 3:24 p.m. train stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Westbury and Hicksville.

Ronkonkoma Branch

- 12:42 p.m. train stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, then all stops to Ronkonkoma (except Pinelawn).
- 1:49 p.m. train Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, then all stops to Ronkonkoma (except Pinelawn).

Port Washington Branch

- The 3:40 p.m. train stopping at Woodside, Flushing/Main St., then all stops to Great Neck.

Far Rockaway Branch

- The 3:48 p.m. express train to Locust Manor, then all stops to Far Rockaway.

Montauk Branch

- The 4:06 p.m. train express to Westhampton, then stopping at Southampton, Bridgehampton, East Hampton and Montauk.

In the interest of safety, alcohol will not be allowed on LIRR trains, stations or platforms from 8 p.m. Wednesday, November 23, through 5 a.m., Thursday, November 24. MTA Police will enforce this restriction.

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24

On Thanksgiving Day, the LIRR is running on a weekend/holiday schedule supplemented by with 17 extra trains timed perfectly for those attending the Thanksgiving Day Parade or otherwise visiting the city. There will be 6 extra westbound trains in the morning and 11 extra eastbound trains in the afternoon. Coach cars will be added to select trains as the demand requires to accommodate holiday travelers.

Westbound – 6 Extra Trains Heading into Penn Station

Babylon Branch

- The 6:49 a.m. train from Babylon, making all stops to Rockville Center, then Jamaica, and Penn Station.

- The 7:21 a.m. train from Babylon, making all stops to Rockville Centre, then Jamaica and Penn Station.

Ronkonkoma Branch

- The 6:10 a.m. train from Ronkonkoma, making all stops to Hicksville, then Jamaica, Woodside and Penn Station.
- The 7:18 a.m. train from Ronkonkoma, making all stops to Hicksville, then Jamaica, Woodside and Penn Station.

Huntington/Port Jefferson Branch

- The 6:01 a.m. train from Port Jefferson making all stops to Huntington, then stopping at Jamaica and Penn Station.

Montauk Branch

- The 6:28 a.m. train from Speonk, making all stops to Babylon, Jamaica and Penn Station.

Eastbound – 11 Extra Trains Departing from Penn Station

Babylon Branch:

- The 11:39 a.m., 12:09 p.m., 12:39 p.m. and 1:09 p.m. trains from Penn Station stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then all local stops to Babylon.

Huntington Branch

- The 11:59 p.m. from Penn Station, stopping at Jamaica, New Hyde Park and all stops to Huntington.

Port Jefferson Branch

- The 12:06 p.m. train from Penn Station, stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, then all stops to Port Jefferson

Montauk Branch

- The 12:15 p.m. train from Penn Station, stopping at Jamaica, Freeport, then all stops to Speonk

Ronkonkoma Branch

- The 11:35 a.m. train from Penn Station, stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Hicksville Bethpage Farmingdale then all stops to Ronkonkoma except Pinelawn.
- The 12:32 p.m. train from Penn Station, stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, New Hyde Park, Mineola, Hicksville, Bethpage, Farmingdale, then all stops to Ronkonkoma except Pinelawn.
- The 1:03 p.m. train from Penn Station, stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then all stops to Farmingdale.
- The 1:32 p.m. train from Penn Station, stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Hicksville, Bethpage, Farmingdale, then all stops to Ronkonkoma, except Pinelawn.

Black Friday, November 25

LIRR trains will operate on a normal weekday schedule on Friday, November 29 with off-peak fares in effect the entire day.

Extra Holiday Weekend Train Service

Saturday, November 26 & Sunday, November 27

Beginning this weekend, the LIRR is offering extra train service on weekends through the entire holiday season for your shopping, dining, sightseeing and entertainment pleasure. The LIRR is add four morning westbound trains and six afternoon eastbound trains to its regular weekend schedule on Saturday,

November 29 and Sunday and the weekends of those weekends December 3-4, December 10-11, December 17-18, December 25-26 and January 1-2. The extra weekend trains are as follows:

Long Beach Branch

Westbound

- The 8:55 a.m., 9:55 a.m., 10:55 a.m. and 11:55 a.m. trains from Long Beach making all local stops to Jamaica then express to Penn Station.

Eastbound

- The 4:09 p.m., 5:09 p.m., 6:09 p.m. and 7:09 p.m. trains from Penn Station, stopping at Jamaica and making all local stops to Long Beach.

Babylon Branch

Eastbound

- The 1:14 a.m. from Penn Station, stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre and then all stops to Babylon

Port Jefferson Branch

Eastbound

- The 2:46 a.m. from Penn Station stopping at Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then all stops to Huntington.

For More Information

For train schedules and real-time train status, customers should download [LIRRTrain Time™](#), the Railroad's official app available via the Apple Store for iOS devices or Google Play Store for Android along with [MTA eTix™](#) - LIRR's mobile ticketing app which allows customers to buy LIRR tickets on their mobile device. Customers can also sign up for LIRR Service Alerts via text or email by registering at www.mymtaalerts.com. Assistance is also available from the LIRR's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: Long Island Rail Road. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach the LIRR at 511.

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