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LIRR Adding 10 Extra Eastbound Trains on Friday Afternoon Memorial Day Weekend

With the Memorial Day Weekend beginning tomorrow, the Long Island Rail Road is adding 10 extra early afternoon trains from Penn Station on Friday, May 26, for customers planning an early start to the long weekend.

The LIRR will operate on a regular weekend schedule on Saturday and Sunday and on a holiday schedule on Memorial Day.

The following departures from Penn Station have been added to the regular Friday afternoon schedule:

Babylon Branch

- 2:22 p.m. express to Rockville Centre, and then all stops to Babylon
- 2:32 p.m. express to Lynbrook, and then all stops to Babylon
- 3:00 p.m. stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, and then all stops to Babylon
- 3:31 p.m. express to Rockville Centre, and then all stops to Babylon

Far Rockaway Branch

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

Port Jefferson Branch

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

Port Washington Branch

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

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

Ronkonkoma Branch

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

Many Channels for Service Updates

The LIRR encourages customers to sign up for train service updates. Information about these service enhancements and all planned service changes is available via many channels.

Email and text message service updates – Customers are encouraged to sign up to receive the alerts by visiting MyMTAAlerts.com. To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

MTA.info – The rail tab of the “Service Status” box at the left side of www.MTA.info is always the definitive source for the latest status for each branch, updated every minute. In addition, customers can visit www.mta.info/lirr to see special service notices in the upper center of the page.

@LIRR on Twitter – Twitter users can follow @LIRR to receive updates of a similar nature to the email and text alerts, shortened to fit Twitter’s format.

LIRR Train Time app – Customers who use the LIRR Train Time app will see up-to-the-minute status for each upcoming train at each station. As a caution, trains that start out their trips on time may experience delays en route.

The above communications channels can be accessed while at home or on the go. For customers who are located at stations, the LIRR will post the latest service updates on **digital signs** at stations and will make **audio announcements** over public address systems, and **on-board announcements** made by train crews.

For those who prefer the **telephone**, information is available from the LIRR’s Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: “Long Island Rail Road” Those who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach the LIRR at 511.

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