

## **SEPTA Regional Rail Modifications During Papal Visit**

### **Overall Operations Plan for Regional Rail**

During the Papal Visit on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 26 and 27, SEPTA will double capacity by modifying Regional Rail operations, in an effort to accommodate travel demand. A total of just 18 outlying Regional Rail stations will be in operation, with service to/from Center City at Jefferson, 30<sup>th</sup> Street and University City stations. All other stations will be closed during the weekend. This will allow SEPTA to run express-type inbound-only service in the morning to the events, and outbound-only service afterwards.

Airport Line service will be available for travelers arriving at Philadelphia International Airport on Sept. 26 and 27. One Day Regional Rail Papal Passes will be sold to travelers inside the secured areas of the terminals. More information on Airport Line service during the Papal Visit will be announced in the coming weeks.

### **One Day Regional Rail Papal Visit Passes Required**

All passengers travelling on Regional Rail Sept. 26 and 27 days will have to pre-purchase purchase a One Day Papal Pass, including seniors and children over the age of 5. Customers with a valid PA Disability Transit ID Card or Medicare Card can enter to receive reduced-fare passes through the lottery for \$5; they will be required to show their valid ID along with the Papal Pass at the time of boarding. Reduced fare pass sales will be limited to a single purchase. No other fares, such as TrailPasses, paper tickets or cash, will be accepted. Papal Visit Pass purchases are non-refundable.

### **Available Regional Rail Stations**

Below are the Regional Rail lines and outlying stations that will be in operation, listed by their Center City drop-off/boarding station:

#### Jefferson Station

- Norristown/Manayunk Line - Norristown Transportation Center
- Lansdale/Doylestown Line - Pennbrook and Fort Washington Stations
- Warminster Line - Warminster Station
- West Trenton Line - Woodbourne Station
- Fox Chase Line - Fox Chase Station
- Airport Line - Terminal A/B, Terminal C/D

#### 30<sup>th</sup> Street Station

- Paoli/Thorndale Line - Paoli and Radnor Stations
- Chesnut Hill West Line - Chestnut Hill West Station
- Trenton Line – Levittown and Croydon/Cornwells Heights Stations
- Wilmington/Newark Line - Wilmington and Marcus Hook Stations

#### University City Station

- Airport Line - Eastwick Station
- Media/Elwyn Line - Media and Primos Stations

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### **Service Schedules**

Service will operate from the outlying stations to Center City from 5:30 a.m. to noon on Sept. 26 and 27, and back to the same stations after the Papal Visit events.

To help alleviate congestion and enhance safety, SEPTA will have two morning travel slots from the outlying stations. The first group of riders will travel from 5:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m., and the second between 8:30 a.m.-noon at each station except Cornwells Heights and Croydon. Cornwells Heights will be open during the early slot from 5:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m., and Croydon from 8:30 a.m.-noon. Passes will be stamped with the stations and time slots chosen by customers when they submit their lottery entries.

### **Parking Limited: Plan for Drop-offs**

SEPTA is urging customers planning to use rail service for Papal Visit travel to arrange to be dropped off at or near their station. Parking will be limited at SEPTA stations and surrounding locations, and available spots are expected to fill up quickly both days.

### **Check for Updates**

SEPTA will continue to provide Papal Visit travel information and updates as additional information is available. For more information about SEPTA, visit [www.septa.org](http://www.septa.org).

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