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MTA Holiday Travel for Christmas Weekend

Extra Getaway Service on Friday, December 23

The Long Island Rail Road, Metro-North Railroad and Staten Island Railway are offering extra, early-afternoon service on Friday, Dec. 23, for those customers looking for an early start to the Christmas holiday weekend. On Monday, Dec. 26, New York City subways and buses will operate on a Sunday schedule, the LIRR will operate on a regular weekday schedule, and Metro-North will operate on a Saturday schedule.

New York City Subways and Buses

New York City subways and buses will operate on a regular weekday schedule on Friday, Dec. 23. They will operate on a Sunday schedule on Monday, Dec. 26.

MTA Long Island Rail Road

On Friday, Dec. 23, the LIRR will provide 14 extra trains in the early afternoon for those customers looking to get an early start to the holiday weekend. On Monday, Dec. 26, the LIRR will operate a regular weekday schedule.

For more details, [click here to view the press release from MTA Long Island Rail Road](#).

MTA Metro-North Railroad

On Friday, Dec. 23, Metro-North will provide 20 extra trains in the early afternoon for those customers looking to get an early start to the holiday weekend. On Monday, Dec. 26, Metro-North will operate on a Saturday schedule. Shoppers Specials will operate.

For more details, [click here to view the press release from MTA Metro-North Railroad](#).

MTA Staten Island Railway

Staten Island customers looking to get a head start on their holiday celebrations will be able to catch earlier afternoon express train service on Friday, Dec. 23, with Staten Island Railway's Early Departure Get Away schedule. This schedule means extra SIR trains will be added earlier in the afternoon beginning at 2:30 p.m. from the St. George Ferry Terminal. There will be one express train and one local train awaiting every boat until 7:50 p.m. On Monday, Dec. 26, SIR will operate on a weekend schedule.

MTA Bridges and Tunnels

To ease travel for holiday travelers, routine maintenance and temporary construction work at all MTA Bridges and Tunnels crossings will be suspended beginning Noon on Friday, Dec. 23, until after the morning rush hour on Tuesday, Dec. 27.