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### MTA Long Island Rail Road Adding 13 Extra Eastbound Trains on Christmas Eve for Those Making Early Holiday Getaway

MTA Long Island Rail Road is adding 13 trains to its eastbound afternoon schedule from Penn Station on Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24, to accommodate the large number of customers leaving work early to begin their Christmas holiday. The additional service from Penn Station will be provided between 12:46 PM and 3:48 PM on the Ronkonkoma, Babylon, Port Jefferson and Far Rockaway branches.

The added trains are as follow:

#### Ronkonkoma Branch

- 12:46 PM from Penn Station stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville and local stops to Ronkonkoma
- 1:38 PM from Penn Station stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville and local stops to Ronkonkoma

#### Babylon Branch

- 1:28 PM from Penn Station traveling express to Rockville Centre and then local to Babylon
- 1:53 PM from Penn Station stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then traveling local to Babylon.
- 2:22 PM from Penn Station traveling express to Rockville Centre and then local to Babylon
- 2:32 PM from Penn Station traveling express to Lynbrook and then local to Babylon
- 3 PM from Penn Station stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre and traveling local to Babylon
- 3:31 PM from Penn Station traveling express to Rockville Centre and then local to Babylon

With large numbers of customers taking advantage of the earlier departures, the LIRR will combine two closely-scheduled evening Babylon trains into one. The 5:59 PM from Penn Station will be cancelled and those customers accommodated by the next scheduled departure, the 6:05 PM train, which will run express to Merrick as usual, then make all local stops to Babylon.

#### Port Jefferson Branch (To Hicksville and Huntington)

- 2:08 PM from Penn Station stopping at Jamaica, Mineola and local to Huntington
- 2:29 PM from Penn Station stopping at Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Jamaica, New Hyde Park and then local to Huntington
- 3:24 PM from Penn Station stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Westbury and Hicksville

#### Port Washington Branch

- 3:40 PM from Penn Station stopping Woodside, Flushing-Main St. and then making all stops to Great Neck

#### Far Rockaway Branch

- 3:48 PM from Penn Station stopping at Locust Manor, Laurelton, Rosedale, Valley Stream and then all stops to Far Rockaway

#### Check out the New Timetables for Dec. 16 through Feb. 23

On Christmas Day, December 25, the LIRR will operate on a Holiday Schedule. Pick up a copy of the latest LIRR timetable for the period December 16 through February 22 at any terminal or your local station or find them online at [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr).

**Reminder: Extra Holiday Service on Weekends Through January 4-5.**

The LIRR is running four extra westbound trains and six extra eastbound trains on weekends during the holiday season. The remaining weekends are December 21-22 and December 28-29 and January 4-5.

**For More Information**

For additional information customers can go to LIRR's website at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info) or reach the LIRR's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and say "Long Island Rail Road," when prompted.