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### Travel with the MTA to Veterans Day Parades and Events

*LIRR and MNR Offer Travel Packages to West Point and Calverton Cemetery*

*The Q70 LaGuardia Link is Free This Holiday Weekend*

*See Pics from an Event Honoring Veterans Working in Transit*

Veterans Day is always an important day at the MTA as the agency honors and gives thanks to our colleagues throughout the agency who have served in the military (see here for pictures from [an annual ceremony honoring Transit workers](#) who are veterans, held in Brooklyn yesterday). The MTA has a long history of hiring veterans and this practice continues, with MTA agencies having hired over 1,300 servicemembers in the past five years. Many of these veterans will be working on Nov. 11 to provide service for our customers to get to the many events taking place in the New York City metropolitan area.

The Long Island Rail Road, Metro-North Railroad and New York City Transit are the best ways to get to Veterans Day events, including the NYC Veterans Day Parade on Fifth Avenue, the Metro-North Veterans Day Ceremony in Grand Central Terminal, and various smaller events in the NYC suburbs on Nov. 11. Travel packages are also available on LIRR and Metro-North to Calverton National Cemetery and West Point Military Academy.

#### New York City Transit:

NYCT Subways and Staten Island Railway will operate on regular weekday schedules, while NYC Buses will operate on a school closed schedule, with express and limited service operating.

To help holiday weekend travelers flying in and out of LaGuardia Airport, the Q70 LaGuardia Link bus will be free starting today until 11:59 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 11.

Due to the parade, a select number of bus routes will be subject to detours/delays. Please see here for changes to specific routes: <http://travel.mtanyct.info/serviceadvisory/busplanwork.aspx>

NYCT Subway will be the best way to travel to the 100th annual NYC Veterans Day parade. The ceremony begins at 11 a.m. with a moment of silence. At noon, a wreath laying ceremony will take place at the Eternal Light monument and the parade then begins from Madison Square Park on the corner of 24th Street and Fifth Avenue, and goes north on Fifth Avenue from 26th Street to 46th Street.

#### Long Island Rail Road:

The LIRR will be operating on a regular weekday schedule on Veterans Day, with peak and off-peak fares in effect. However, reduced fare tickets for seniors, Medicare recipients and people with disabilities will be accepted on morning rush hour trains on Veterans Day.

On Saturday, Nov. 9, LIRR will offer an escorted one-day trip to Calverton Cemetery timed in advance of Veterans Day. This is not a sightseeing tour, but rather a rail/bus package that affords customers the opportunity to honor their loved ones who are interred at Calverton National Cemetery. Details on this package can be found here: <http://web.mta.info/lirr/getaways/longisland/calverton.htm>

#### Metro-North:

Metro-North will run a regular weekday service on Veterans Day and is the best way to travel to all Westchester, Hudson Valley and NYC parades. This includes the Metro-North Railroad Veterans Day Ceremony at 11 a.m. in Grand Central Terminal.

Metro-North is also offering a travel package to West Point Military Academy. There is no better way to experience Veterans Day and a significant piece of America's history than with a tour of West Point. Details on this package can be found here: [http://web.mta.info/mnr/html/getaways/outbound\\_westpoint.htm](http://web.mta.info/mnr/html/getaways/outbound_westpoint.htm)

