



MEDIA ADVISORY

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System Changes go into effect March 29 *Charlotte BRT lite service set to begin*

NASHVILLE – Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lite service on Charlotte Pike is set to begin March 30 as part of the agency’s biannual system improvements to its transportation network.

Charlotte Pike is the third major corridor in Nashville to have this service, joining Gallatin Pike and Murfreesboro Pike. BRT lite service on Charlotte Pike will offer fewer stops and faster service between Music City Central in downtown to the Charlotte Walmart located off River Road. This also will improve connectivity on one of the highest ridership routes in the Nashville area.

Other improvements include the addition of Sunday service on the free Music City Circuit on both the Blue and Green routes. On Sundays, service will begin at 11 a.m. and will end at 11 p.m., which is the same as the existing Saturday service on those routes. The new Sunday service is being added to serve additional customers. Buses will travel near First Tennessee Park and will operate until approximately one hour after the game ends.

Several other MTA bus schedules will also change on March 29 due to service adjustments. Additional system changes include improving midday service frequency on routes 6 Lebanon Pike, 8 8th Avenue, and 9 MetroCenter. Route 37X Tusculum/McMurray Express also will have its afternoon routing reversed to go out I-65 instead of I-24.

For more detailed information, customers should review the route schedules or call Customer Care at (615) 862-5950 from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

A detailed summary of the adjustments is below.

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To request this information in an alternative format, please call (615) 862-5950 and ask to speak with the ADA Coordinator.



Spring 2015 Summary of Changes

The following information includes other service changes **effective Sunday, March 29**. Please check the new route schedules for complete route information since this is only a summary of the spring changes. The new schedules will be available online on Monday, March 23, and in the displays at Music City Central the same week.

6 Lebanon Pike

- Midday service on weekdays operates every 60 minutes.
 - This route has weekday time changes.
 - On school days only, a bus will begin service at the East Nashville Magnet School at 3:20 p.m. and travel directly to Music City Central.
- Please see the route schedule for complete details.**

8 8th Avenue South

- Midday service on weekdays operates every 40 minutes.
 - Midday service has been added on weekends and holidays. Buses now operate hourly on weekends and holidays.
 - This route no longer serves J.T. Moore Middle School.
 - This route has weekday, Saturday, and Sunday/Holiday time changes.
- Please see the route schedule for complete details.**

9 MetroCenter

- A weekday bus now departs from Music City Central Bay 2 at 6:40 a.m., stops at Dominican and French Landing at 6:47 a.m., Athens Way and Great Circle at 6:58 a.m. and arrives at Dominican and French Landing at 7:03 a.m.
 - Midday service on weekdays operates every 25 minutes.
 - The bus arriving at Music City Central at 4:05 p.m. no longer serves East Nashville Magnet School on school days.
 - This route has weekday time changes.
- Please see the route schedule for complete details.**

10 Charlotte

- This route has been rescheduled and the timepoints have changed to match those for the new Route 50 Charlotte Pike BRT lite service.
 - Buses will operate every 40 minutes during the day on weekdays and 60 minutes on weeknights, 60 minutes on Saturdays, and 40 minutes during the day on Sundays and 60 minutes on Sunday nights.
 - Buses for this route will now depart from Bay 3 at Music City Central on weekdays and Bay 1 on nights and weekends.
 - Buses traveling to downtown on Charlotte turn right on 22nd Avenue, left on State Street, right on 21st Avenue, left on Church Street, left on 18th Avenue, right on Charlotte, left on 5th Avenue, right on Gay Street, right on James Robertson Parkway and continue 4th Avenue to Music City Central.
 - Buses traveling from downtown on Charlotte turn right on 17th Avenue, left on Pearl, left on Dr. D.B. Todd Jr. Boulevard, continue on 18th Avenue, right on Church Street, right on 22nd Avenue and left on Charlotte to the current route.
 - All local buses will serve all stops on the Premier/American loop in both directions at all times.
- Please see the route schedule for complete details.**

12 Nolensville Pike

- This route has weekday time changes on most trips.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

14 Whites Creek

- On school days only, a bus will begin service at the Nashville School of the Arts at 3:12 p.m. and travel directly to Music City Central.

15 Murfreesboro Pike

- A trip to downtown and a trip from downtown have been added at the end of Saturday service.
- Local buses will no longer pull into Metro Southeast. Buses will continue to and from downtown on Murfreesboro Pike.
- Buses traveling to downtown will turn left from 2nd Avenue to Union and turn right on 5th Avenue to Music City Central.
- Buses for this route will depart from Bay 17 at Music City Central on weekdays and Bay 15 on nights and weekends.
- This route has significant time changes on most trips, especially on weekdays.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

17 12th Avenue South

- Midday service on weekdays operates every 30 minutes.
- Buses traveling to downtown will continue on 11th Avenue to Charlotte, turn right on Charlotte and left on 5th Avenue to Music City Central.
- Buses traveling from downtown will turn left on 5th Avenue, right on Charlotte and left on 11th Avenue to the current route.
- This route has significant time changes on most trips, especially on weekdays.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

20 Scott

- This route has weekday time changes.
- Weekday buses now operate every 40-70 minutes.
- The bus arriving at Music City Central at 3:40 p.m. no longer serves Nashville School of the Arts on school days.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

27 Old Hickory

- The Park & Ride located at the former Lakewood City Hall has moved. It is now located at the Price Less IGA in Old Hickory.
- This route has minor weekday time changes.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

37X Tusculum/McMurray Express

- **The routing has been reversed in the afternoon to use I-65 from Music City Central.**
- **Buses traveling from downtown will continue on 4th Avenue, turn right on Demonbreun Street, left on 14th Avenue and continue left on the ramp onto I-24E/I-65S.**
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

42 St. Cecilia/Cumberland

- The routing to downtown has changed.
- Buses traveling to downtown will continue on Rosa L. Parks Boulevard, turn left on James Robertson Parkway and right on 5th Avenue to Music City Central.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

44 MTA Shuttle

- This route has minor time changes.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

50 Charlotte BRT lite – *NEW*

- This route will operate on Charlotte Pike and offer more frequent service with fewer stops for faster trips to downtown.
- Buses will only stop at BRT lite designated stops.
- On weekdays, buses will run every 15 minutes until 6:15 p.m. and every 30 minutes after 6:15 p.m. Saturday buses will run every 30 minutes.
- Buses for this route will depart from Bay 1 at Music City Central.

55 Murfreesboro Pike BRT lite

- This route has minor weekday and Saturday time changes.
- Buses for the last trip to downtown and from downtown on Saturday evening now operate on Route 15 Murfreesboro Pike.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

60 Music City **Blue Circuit**

- Buses will operate every 15 minutes until 7 p.m.
- New Sunday service is being added from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. to serve additional customers.
- Buses will travel near First Tennessee Park and will operate until approximately one hour after the game ends.

61 Music City **Green Circuit**

- Buses will operate every 15 minutes until 7 p.m.
- New Sunday service is being added from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. to serve additional customers.
- Buses will travel near First Tennessee Park and will operate until approximately one hour after the game ends.

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84X Murfreesboro Express

- This route has minor time adjustments.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

86X Smyrna/La Vergne Express

- This route has minor time adjustments.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

91X Franklin Express

- The route no longer serves Brentwood.
- This route has several time adjustments.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

95X Spring Hill Express

- The Park & Ride at Thompson's Station Baptist Church has moved. It is now in Spring Hill at the People's Church, located at 4910 Main Street.
- This route has several time adjustments.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.

96X Nashville/Murfreesboro Relax & Ride

- This route has minor time adjustments.
Please see the route schedule for complete details.