

# RIDER NEWS

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## September Service Change: More Trips to Serve You

September 2024



Our Sept. 8, 2024, service change marks the final step in a series of 17 incremental adjustments that began in June 2020, aimed at restoring our service levels

to those before the COVID-19 pandemic. With this latest change, we will exceed our pre-pandemic service levels, reaching 102 percent of the service we provided prior to the pandemic.

### Service Details

Routes 12, 13, 41, 62A, 62B, 65, and 66 will have late night service restored on weekdays and weekends. In addition, Route 41 will have extended late night service on Friday and Saturday nights when The Evergreen State College is in session.

View the new schedules ahead of the service change at [intercitytransit.com/servicechanges](http://intercitytransit.com/servicechanges). Starting Sunday, Sept. 8, schedules will be available at [intercitytransit.com/plan-your-trip/routes](http://intercitytransit.com/plan-your-trip/routes).

Call Customer Service at 360-786-1881 for questions or trip planning assistance. They're open daily from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Apply Now to Serve on the Intercity Transit Authority or Community Advisory Committee



The Intercity Transit Authority (ITA) is seeking civic-minded individuals who represent our diverse community to serve

as volunteer advisors on the ITA or our Community Advisory Committee (CAC). There are several open

positions on the CAC, including at least one youth position.

All positions serve three-year terms except for the youth positions which serve one-year terms. Individual service users, businesses, nonprofit groups, students, and other community members are welcome to apply. As part of our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, we are specifically seeking representation from:

- Active-duty military and veterans.
- BIPOC.
- People living with a disability.
- People living in rural communities.
- Fixed income families.
- LGBTQ+ community.
- Seniors.
- Youth.

Intercity Transit provides transportation services for communities in Thurston County, including Fixed Route Bus Service, Dial-a-Lift, Vanpool Commuter Services, Youth Bicycle Education, and more.

As a community representative on the ITA, you'll be joining a nine-member board of directors that sets the policy and direction for the agency and is made up of elected officials who represent the Thurston County Board of Commissioners and the Cities of Lacey, Tumwater, Olympia, and Yelm, a labor representative, and three community representatives. As a member of the CAC, you'll join a 20-person advisory group to provide input on local transportation issues, advocate for transportation choices, and help shape local policy for public transportation.

Members of the CAC represent a cross-section of the community. You must live, work or attend school

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within Thurston County to apply for both the ITA and CAC.

To apply for the ITA community representative position, please submit a letter of interest and a resume to Intercity Transit Authority, Attn: Pat Messmer, P.O. Box 659, Olympia, WA 98507-0659. You may also deliver materials to 510 Pattison SE in Olympia or email them to [pmessmer@intercitytransit.com](mailto:pmessmer@intercitytransit.com). Materials must be received by 5 p.m. on Oct. 4, 2024.

To apply for the CAC, please visit <https://bit.ly/46Y0CgR> or call 360-357-1532. Completed applications are due by Friday, Oct. 4, 2024, and can be mailed to CAC Recruitment, Attn: Amanda Collins, P.O. Box 659, Olympia, WA 98507. Applications can also be dropped off at Customer Service at the Olympia Transit Center, 205 Franklin St. NE, or emailed to [acollins@intercitytransit.com](mailto:acollins@intercitytransit.com).

For more information about either opportunity, please visit [intercitytransit.com/news](https://intercitytransit.com/news).

## Ride the Bus to Falls Fest



Celebrate the transition to fall and soak in the beautiful fall colors at Falls Fest at Brewery Park at Tumwater Falls on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This event celebrates Tumwater Falls as a sacred and historically-significant place, while honoring arts, heritage and the environment within our community.

Parking at the event is limited. Avoid the hassle and ride the bus or choose an active mode of transportation to get there! Intercity Transit [Route 13](#) provides service near Brewery Park and you'll be steps away from the fun.

If you don't live near a bus stop, park at Peter G. Schmidt Elementary School and ride Route 13! Catch the bus at stop #63, located on Capitol Blvd. at Dennis St. [nb], and sit back for a comfortable 16-minute ride. Route 13 operates every 30 minutes on weekends. You can also plan your trip to the event using our online Trip Planner, [intercitytransit.com/plan-your-trip/trip-planner](https://intercitytransit.com/plan-your-trip/trip-planner), or call Intercity Transit's Customer Service at 360-786-1881. They're available from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., daily.

We will also be hosting a bike VIP area at the event! If you ride your bike to Falls Fest, you'll be treated to free VIP bike parking close to festival vendors and activities! When you arrive, roll up to the bike valet to check your bike in at our staffed valet bike parking provided by Intercity Transit's Walk N Roll program.

For more information about Falls Fest, visit [ci.tumwater.wa.us/departments/parks-recreation-department](https://ci.tumwater.wa.us/departments/parks-recreation-department). We'll see you there!

## Keep School Zones Safe



Summer is coming to an end and students are returning to school. Follow these tips to help keep our school zones safe for all students:

- Be prepared for congestion when traveling through school zones and, if possible, adjust your route to avoid them.
- Slow down! The speed limit in school zones is 20 miles per hour.
- Stop for pedestrians at crosswalks and intersections.
- Watch out for school crossing guards and obey their signals.
- Stop for school buses that are loading and unloading students.
- Be extra cautious around children, they are still learning how to be safe pedestrians and bicyclists.

If you plan to drop-off and pick-up a student, here are a few extra tips to keep in mind:

- Know and follow your school's drop-off and pick-up procedures.
- Don't double park or block bike lanes or cross walks.
- Help improve the air quality around your school by turning your car off while you wait.
- Consider reducing traffic congestion around the school by carpooling or parking at least a half mile away and walking to school.

Remind drivers to slow down by displaying traffic safety yard signs around your school. Visit [intercitytransit.com/yard-signs](https://intercitytransit.com/yard-signs) to learn more and find locations where you can pick-up a free sign for your school or neighborhood.

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