



NEW CASTLE TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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With the decision of Gov. Wolf that Lawrence County is now in the Green Phase, the New Castle Area Transit Authority has a few announcements.

The health, safety and well-being of our passengers, employees, and the communities we serve, is always a priority in our decision making process.

NCATA will resume its regular Saturday schedules beginning on Saturday June 20, 2020.

NCATA will end its free fares on all rides on June 30, 2020. Regular fare collection will begin on all fixed routes and commuter rides on July 1, 2020.

NCATA is monitoring the ridership on its Pittsburgh service, as ridership levels increase we will begin to add buses to the Pittsburgh service with the goal of getting back to our full Pittsburgh schedule.

The main office on Mahoning Avenue will not receive visitors until July 1, 2020.

We continue to ask all of our passengers and employees to follow the CDC guidelines, Wash hands often, Cover you cough or sneeze, Avoid touching your face, When sick please stay home and refrain from riding public transit, Maintain social distancing as best as you possibly can on our buses. As all of our drivers' wear masks, we strongly recommend that our passengers continue to wear a mask.

We have taken many steps to help reduce the spread of germs to our customers and employees such as cleaning and sanitizing all buses on a daily basis and continue to clean frequently touched areas at our facilities. We have instituted temperature checks for our drivers every morning.

"NCATA will continue to provide the essential service of getting people to work, stores, and health care facilities. We will do everything we can to make that trip as safe as possible," said David Richards, General Manager.