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Hartsfield-Jackson Institutes New Operating Hours for Public Access
Change required to facilitate operations, security, maintenance needs

ATLANTA – Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) will establish new operating hours beginning Friday, March 2. ATL’s Domestic and International Terminals, the SkyTrain, Rental Car Center and parking decks will be open daily to the general public from 4:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Although the world’s busiest and most efficient airport never closes, access to the facility between 11 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. will be restricted to ticketed airline passengers, individuals meeting, accompanying or assisting passengers, and authorized personnel.

“This new directive will enhance Hartsfield-Jackson’s safety and security, operations and facility maintenance efforts, and will allow our overnight crews the ability to thoroughly clean the public areas of the airport,” said Airport General Manager Roosevelt Council, Jr. “We are working with our airline and concessionaire partners to implement a policy that is similar to like-sized airports across the country.”

The change comes as a result of an increasing volume of passengers, visitors, and ongoing ATLNext construction projects at the Airport’s campus. The new operating hours will improve safety during overnight construction periods and provide maintenance and custodial teams with access to high-volume areas for proper upkeep and cleaning.

Chicago O’Hare (ORD), Reagan National (DCA), Los Angeles International (LAX), and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (JFK and LGA) have implemented similar hours-of-operation policies.

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Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world’s busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 103 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and 70 international destinations in more than 50 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, sustainability, architectural engineering, and construction. ATL is now in the midst of a multi-billion dollar capital improvement plan, ATLNext, that will modernize the domestic terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 440-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, visit www.atl.com.

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