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Michigan Flyer-AirRide to Resume Service on April 26, 2021

Effective Monday, April 26, Michigan Flyer-AirRide will resume its daily scheduled service between East Lansing, Brighton, Ann Arbor and Detroit Metro Airport thanks to funding secured through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act.

As part of the restart, Michigan Flyer-AirRide will operate a new, [simplified schedule](#) of 12 roundtrips a day, seven days a week, with each run serving all four locations.

“We are absolutely thrilled to get our fleet of luxury motorcoaches on the road again, providing important daily connections for air travelers and intercity bus passengers, including students and staff of Michigan State University and the University of Michigan,” says Michigan Flyer VP Ody Norkin.

“This is a clear sign that Michigan is gradually turning the corner on the coronavirus pandemic, thanks to vaccinations and public health measures like masking and social distancing,” he adds.

Reservations Accepted Starting April 1

Beginning on Thursday, April 1, reservations may be booked online at www.MichiganFlyer.com or by phone at (517)333-0400. Prices will remain the same as before operations were suspended; however, payment must be made by credit card.

Drivers will be able to take credit card payments at the bus and send receipts to passengers by email. To help prevent person-to-person transmission of the coronavirus, drivers will no longer accept cash. For those boarding in Ann Arbor, you may purchase your tickets with cash inside the Blake Transit Center during posted business hours.

Also, note that for the time being, the capacity of each coach will be limited to 50 percent so passengers are able to seat themselves at a safe distance from one another.

Protections for Passengers and Drivers

To minimize the chance of spreading coronavirus on its buses, Michigan Flyer and Indian Trails implemented the following steps, among others:

- [As mandated by the CDC](#), all passengers must wear face masks for the duration of their trip.
- Providing hand sanitizer on all buses.
- Limiting the number of passengers per bus.
- Asking passengers to occupy seats as far apart as possible.
- Ventilating buses with fresh rather than recirculated air.

- Providing transparent, protective barriers between drivers and passengers.
- Cleaning and sanitizing buses daily, with special attention to high-touch areas.
- Requiring daily symptom checks of all on-duty employees, and requiring the workforce to abide by a detailed [COVID-19 Response Plan](#).

More Good News for Travelers

People eager for a change of scenery due to the pandemic may also be pleased to know that two popular bus transportation services operated by Indian Trails are now serving passengers as usual:

- [Indian Trails' charter buses](#), which can transport groups from any location in Michigan, Northern Ohio and Northern Indiana to anywhere in the Continental U.S. and Canada.
- [Indian Trails' daily scheduled routes](#) throughout Michigan and into Chicago, Duluth and Milwaukee, with connections to the national Amtrak and Greyhound networks.

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Michigan Flyer, LLC—a division of Indian Trails—offers frequent, daily motorcoach connections between East Lansing, Brighton, Ann Arbor, and Detroit Metro Airport. Since its launch in 2006, its fleet of late-model, deluxe motorcoaches has carried more than 2 million passengers and achieved an extraordinary 98 percent rate of on-time performance. Each coach exceeds EPA standards with engine technology that reduces exhaust pollutants to near zero while achieving fuel economy of 240 passenger miles per gallon. On the web at www.MichiganFlyer.com.

Indian Trails, Inc.—which has served as Michigan's premier, family-owned, inter-city motorcoach carrier for 111 years, and is based in Owosso, Mich.—operates one of the largest and newest fleets of deluxe motorcoaches in Michigan. In addition to its daily scheduled routes throughout Michigan and into Chicago, Duluth and Milwaukee, its services include charters, tours, shuttles, casino runs, and airport transfers. On the web at www.IndianTrails.com.

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