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## Mask Requirement Still in Effect on All MATA Vehicles and Inside All MATA Facilities

**Memphis, Tenn.**— The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) is continuing to require that all MATA employees and passengers wear face masks/coverings until further notice. This is based on an extension by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to extend the face mask requirement for all individuals using transportation networks -- including public transportation systems -- across the nation. The following is a reference to the TSA guidance: <a href="https://bit.ly/3yjH5p5">https://bit.ly/3yjH5p5</a>

If/when the TSA guidance is updated, MATA will provide updates on its social media platforms (Facebook and Twitter) and matatransit.com.

## Additional Helpful Information:

- The guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) also recommend that masks/face coverings be worn at crowded indoor places including public transportation vehicles and facilities: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/face-masks-public-transportation.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/face-masks-public-transportation.html</a>
- The Shelby County Health Department Directive 21 provides guidance on situations that masks/face coverings must be worn including when traveling on public transportation: www.shelbytnhealth.com/healthdirectives

## **ABOUT MATA**

The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) is the public transportation provider for the Memphis area. As one of the largest transit operators in the state of Tennessee, MATA transports customers in the City of Memphis and parts of Shelby County on fixed-route buses, paratransit vehicles and vintage rail trolleys. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.matatransit.com">www.matatransit.com</a>.