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Ride Transit Month



June is Ride Transit Month in Washington State–a time to celebrate

showcase the benefits of riding transit and encourage

people who don't normally ride to give it a try.

Join us for Ride Transit Month and Win

Pledge — It takes less than a minute to show your support for public transportation. Take the Pledge at **ridetransitmonth.org** to ride transit at least three times during June and you'll be entered to win prizes.

Share — We want to hear from you! Share your story of why you ride Intercity Transit in 150 words or less on Facebook, <u>facebook.com/intercitytransit</u>, by June 30. The best story will win a \$250 VISA gift card. All stories submitted qualify for a random drawing for one of ten monthly passes, valued at \$36 each. Winners will be notified via private message by July 9.

Celebrate — To celebrate you, our valued rider, we will be hosting "Appreciation Stations" on Wednesday, June 12 from 7 – 10 a.m. at the Olympia Transit Center and from 4 – 6 p.m. at the Lacey Transit Center. We'll be giving away free water bottles and other swag. Come visit us!

Adventures Await with the Summer Youth Pass



Riders 18 and under can travel on Intercity Transit and four Olympic-region transit systems for just \$20 all summer with the Summer Youth Pass. Buy passes at locations convenient to you including the Olympia Transit Center and all Thurston County Timberland Regional Library branches. Passes are valid from Memorial Day, May 27 to Labor Day, Sept. 2 on 19 bus routes to endless destinations in Thurston County.

Visit **intercitytransit.com/summer-youth-pass** for more information including tips on riding our bus system and links to riding resources like our free Travel Training program. Also check out "Bus Rider Adventure," a video to learn how to ride the bus.

Share Your Summer Adventures

Share a photo with a short description of why you ride Intercity Transit by Aug. 9 to either <u>facebook.com/IntercityTransit</u> or <u>twitter</u>.

com/IntercityTransi. Tag us in your post using #ITSummerAdventures and we'll share it. You could win two tickets to Century Theater and other prizes! You must be 18 years or younger to be entered into the drawing. For additional details please visit **intercitytransit.com/summer-youth-pass**.

Intercity Transit Provides Service on Independence Day



Intercity Transit will operate on Sunday schedules on Independence Day, Thursday, July 4.

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Olympia Transit Center will be open from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. Our business office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

Please remember we do not allow fireworks on our buses. Have a safe holiday!

Ride Intercity Transit to the Fireworks

Going to the City of Lacey's annual Fireworks Spectacular on Wednesday, July 3 in Rainier Vista Park? Skip the traffic hassles and ride Intercity Transit for free!

There are two options to get there:

- Park for free at Timberline High School, Lakes Elementary School or Komachin Middle School. Walk into the park at your leisure and leave after the fireworks on an Intercity Transit bus. Buses will be located at the park entrance on 45th after the fireworks.
- Ride the bus for free to and from the event. Just tell the bus driver "I'm going to the fireworks!" Routes 64, 66 and 68 go by the park. Fireworks start around 10 p.m. and the last bus runs before 11 p.m. on some routes. Check route and schedule information at <u>intercitytransit.com/</u> <u>bus/routes</u> or call Customer Service at 360-786-1881 to get a trip plan.

Intercity Transit has the Best Driver in North America

You're in good hands when you ride Intercity Transit as we have some of the nation's best bus drivers and mechanics! Intercity Transit's exceptional team attended the American Public Transit Association's 44th Annual International Roadeo in Louisville, Kentucky last month. The Roadeo is an annual



competition of driving skills and maintenance disciplines where transit agencies across the United States

and Canada send their best to compete. We are proud to announce that their hard work paid off!

Intercity Transit bus driver, Rob Wood, was named best bus driver in North America at the International Bus Roadeo. He beat out 78 other competitors to win the first-place award. Wood, along with Intercity Transit's maintenance team of Joe Bell, James Bush and Grant Swidecki took second place in the Grand Champion team competition.

At the Roadeo, Drivers showcase their safe driving skills with a timed pre-trip vehicle inspection and navigate 11 obstacles within seven minutes in a 40 foot bus.

Intercity Transit's maintenance team competed in eight timed disciplines taking first place in the written test event. The team placed 13th in a field of 38 competitive teams.

Honorable mention goes to driver David Randall, who placed 27th in the 40 foot division, and Dan Savage, who placed 15th in the Body on Chassis/ paratransit division.

Come See us at Summer Parades

Look for our festive bubble bus in the following parades this summer:

- Capital City Pride Parade
 Sunday, June 23
- Yelm Prairie Days Parade Saturday, June 29
- Tumwater Independence Day Parade Thursday, July 4
- Lakefair Parade Saturday, July 20



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