

# 270

Effective 5/30/09  
Express Bus Route

**Serving:**  
Downtown Minneapolis  
Maplewood



Hmong American Alliance Church  
Park & Ride  
Highway 61/Co. Rd. C  
Park & Ride  
Maplewood Mall

Birchwood  
Mahtomedi

All buses on this route are wheelchair accessible.



**Metro Transit**  
a service of the Metropolitan Council  
612-373-3333  
www.metrotransit.org

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**Reading a schedule a step-by-step guide**

- Find the schedule for the **day** of the week and the **direction** you plan to travel.
- Find the **timepoints** nearest your origin and destination. Timepoints are shown on the route map. Bus stops may be between timepoints.
- Read downward in a column to see **times** when a trip will be at a given timepoint. Read the times across to the right to see when the trip reaches other timepoints. If no time is shown, that trip does not serve the area of that timepoint.
- The route number in the left column will appear in the sign above the windshield.

Monday	from Grand A
3E	4:49 5:01
3E	5:24 5:34
3E	5:50 6:00
3K	5:52 5:58 6:05 6:15
3E	6:04 6:10 6:19 6:30
3K	6:19 6:25 6:34 6:45
3G	6:32 6:38 6:47 6:58
3G	6:44 6:50 6:59 7:10
3K	6:56 7:02 7:11 7:22

**Buses and trains have free storage racks so you can bring your bicycle along.**

Look for instructions on the rack or visit [metrotransit.org/bike](http://metrotransit.org/bike).

**Trip Planner**

To:

From:

[metrotransit.org](http://metrotransit.org)

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## It's easy to ride – Here's how:

### Bus:

- Arrive at your stop a few minutes early.
- Check the sign above the windshield for the route number and letter. Unsure it is the right one? Ask your driver.
- Pay your fare with:
  - Cash:** Put bills, coins or tokens in the farebox. Change is not available. If you need to change buses or ride rail, ask for a transfer.
  - Go-To Card:** Touch your card to the reader. A transfer is embedded.
  - SuperSaver 31-Day Pass:** Insert it in the reader. A transfer is embedded.
  - SuperSaver Stored Value Card:** Insert it in the reader. A bus-only transfer is embedded. To transfer to rail, ask for a rail-only transfer.
- On buses leaving downtown, pay your fare when you leave the bus. The time you exit the bus determines the fare amount.
- Take a seat and watch for your stop.
- About one block from your stop, pull the cord above the window to signal the driver. Please have your fare ready (see #3 for payment options).

### Rail:

- Arrive at your station a few minutes early.
- Purchase a ticket from the station's vending machine or touch your Go-To Card to the station's card reader before boarding.
- You must have a valid ticket, transfer, Go-To Card or an activated SuperSaver 31-Day Pass to ride. A fare inspector randomly will ask to see proof of payment. A SuperSaver Stored Value Card cannot be used on rail.
- Move toward the closest door as the train nears your station. Push the blue button to open the door.

### These rules apply for the comfort and safety of all customers:

- No eating, smoking, alcohol or littering. Beverages in covered containers are allowed.
- Anything that interferes with safe operation of the vehicle is prohibited.
- Those who try to ride without paying a fare will be charged with a misdemeanor and fined \$180.

Route 270					
Approximate Bus Frequency					
Minutes between buses on this route:					
Rush Hours 6-9 am and 3:00-6:30 pm	Midday	Evening	Owl 1 am-5 am	Saturday	Sunday/Hol.
5-15	—	—	—	—	—
Note: These times are averages and may apply only to the main portion of the route. Refer to the schedule for details.					

612-373-3333

One call links you to all the information you need to use the transit system, including:

### Metropolitan Transit Information

Talk to a representative about routes and schedules

### Hours:

Monday-Friday 6:30 am - 9:00 pm  
Saturday, Sunday & holidays  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day

### 24-hour Automated Schedule Information

Direct Dial: 612-341-4287

### Customer Relations and Lost & Found

570-6th Ave. N., Mpls.

Give us your comments and suggestions or check on lost items

### Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Closed holidays

### Programs for Commuters

Carpool registration and matching,  
Guaranteed Ride Home and bike lockers

### Fare Hotline

Call for a postage-paid order form by mail:  
612-349-7681

### TTY Service

TTY service is available for the deaf and hard of hearing. Call 612-341-0140 for route and schedule information; call 612-349-7439 to reach Customer Relations/Lost & Found.

[www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org)

Visit us online for riding tips, fare information, maps, schedules, route planning and to purchase transit passes for all regional routes.

**Metro Transit**  
560 Sixth Avenue North  
Minneapolis, MN 55411-4398

## Fare Information

	non-rush hours	rush hours
<b>Adults</b>	Local Fare <b>\$1.75</b>	<b>\$2.25</b>
(ages 13-64)	Express Fare <b>\$2.25</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>Seniors (65+)</b>	Local Fare <b>\$ .75</b>	<b>\$2.25</b>
<b>Youth (6-12) &amp; Medicare card holders</b>	Express Fare <b>\$ .75</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>Persons with disabilities</b>	any trip <b>\$ .75</b>	<b>\$ .75</b>

Rush hours: Monday-Friday 6:00-9:00 am & 3:00-6:30 pm  
Local fare is charged on light rail.

### Reduced Fares

Please tell the bus driver **before you pay your fare** if you qualify for a fare listed below. On rail, be ready to show fare inspectors you qualify for the reduced fare.

### These fares apply only during non-rush hours:

**Seniors (65+):** To qualify, show a Minnesota driver's license/state ID with a  endorsement.

**Youth:** Ages 6-12 qualify for a reduced fare.

**Medicare card holders:** To qualify show Medicare card along with photo ID.

### These fares are in effect at all times:

**Persons with Disabilities:** To qualify, show your Metro Mobility card or transfer, Metro Transit temporary ID with a photo ID or Minnesota driver's license/state ID with an  or  endorsement. For information on certification, call Customer Relations at 612-373-3333.  
**Children:** Ages 5 and under ride free (limit 3) when accompanied by a paid fare.  
**Downtown Zone:** Ride in the Downtown Zone for 50¢.  
**Young Adults:** Students and workers ages 17 and under may qualify for a discounted Young Adult Card – contact your school or employer.

**Fare Cards** Save money purchasing fare cards at Metro Transit stores, 175 retail outlets or at [metrotransit.org](http://metrotransit.org).

**Fareboxes** Buses accept U.S. bills and coins. Change is not available.

**Transfers** give you unlimited rides on buses and trains – for 2½ hours. Ask for one when you pay your cash fare. Transfers are automatically embedded on fare cards and rail tickets. To transfer from bus to rail using a SuperSaver Stored Value Card, you must ask the bus driver for a rail transfer.

# Monday-Friday Westbound

from Mahtomedi or Maplewood to downtown Minneapolis

route number	Stillwater Rd and Warner Ave	Maple St and Mahomed Ave	Hwy 120 and Hwy 244	Co Rd F and Bellaire Ave	Joy Rd and Hwy 120	Maplewood Mall Park & Ride	Maplewood Mall Transit Center	Hwy 61 and Co Rd C Park & Ride	Central Ave and University Ave	Marquette and 11th St S	Marquette and 11th St S	Downtown Minneapolis
	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	
<b>AM</b>												
270	5:45	5:48	5:54	5:58	6:05	6:12	6:15	—	6:13	6:21	6:24	
270								6:22	6:25	6:32	6:40	6:47
270								6:32	6:35	6:42	6:49	6:52
270	6:15	6:18	6:24	6:28	6:35	6:42	6:45	—	7:07	7:16	7:19	
270								6:52	6:55	7:02	7:09	7:13
270								7:02	7:05	7:11	7:18	7:23
270								7:07	7:10	7:17	7:24	7:29
270								7:10	7:13	7:20	7:27	7:32
270	6:45	6:48	6:54	6:58	7:05	7:12	7:15	—	7:40	7:50	7:53	
270						7:17	7:20	7:27	7:50	8:00	8:03	
270						7:27	7:30	7:37	8:00	8:10	8:13	
270						7:37	7:40	—	8:05	8:15	8:18	
270						7:42	7:45	7:50	8:13	8:23	8:26	
270						8:02	8:05	8:10	8:31	8:40	8:43	
270						8:14	8:17	8:22	8:43	8:52	8:55	

**A** Connects with Route 265 from White Bear Lake.

**Bold type – 270 Express:** NO STOPS between Hwy 61 & Beam and Minneapolis.

Shaded times denote rush-hour service. See fare panel on other side for rush-hour fares.

**Service operates Monday through Friday except on the following holidays:**

New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Metro Transit may operate reduced service on days before or after Independence Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas or New Year's Day. Look for details in *Connect* on buses and trains prior to these holidays.

Schedule subject to change.

Traffic and weather conditions may delay buses.

Please have exact fare ready. Bus fareboxes and drivers do not make change.

This document is available in alternate formats to individuals with disabilities by calling 612-349-7365 (TTY 612-341-0140).

# Monday-Friday Eastbound

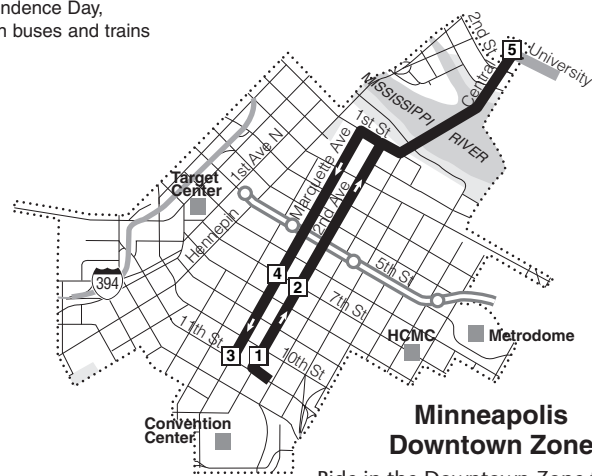
from downtown Minneapolis to Maplewood or Mahtomedi

route number & letter	2nd Ave S and 10th St S	2nd Ave S and 7th St S	Central Ave and University Ave	Hwy 61 and Co Rd C Park & Ride	Maplewood Mall Park & Ride	Maplewood Mall Transit Center	Hwy 120 and Joy Rd	Bellaire Ave and Co Rd F	Hwy 244 and Hwy 120	Maple St and Mahomed Ave	Warner Ave and Stillwater Rd
	1	2	5	6	8	7	9	10	11	12	13
<b>PM</b>											
270C	3:12	3:15	3:25	3:44	3:50	3:53					
270C	3:41	3:45	3:55	4:16	4:22	4:25					
270C	3:56	4:00	4:10	4:33	4:39	4:42					
270A	4:06	4:10	4:20	4:43	—	4:49	4:52	5:00	5:08	5:12	5:21
270E	4:08	4:12	4:22	—	4:49	4:52	5:00	5:08	5:12	5:18	5:21
270C	4:18	4:22	4:32	4:55	5:01	5:04					
270D	4:28	4:32	4:42	—	5:09	5:12					
270A	4:29	4:33	4:43	5:07	—	—					
270E	4:33	4:37	4:47	—	5:14	5:17	5:25	5:33	5:37	5:43	5:46
270A	4:37	4:41	4:51	5:15	—	—					
270C	4:46	4:50	5:00	5:24	5:30	5:33					
270D	4:57	5:01	5:11	—	5:38	5:41					
270A	5:02	5:06	5:16	5:40	—	—					
270E	5:06	5:10	5:20	—	5:47	5:50	5:58	6:06	6:10	6:16	6:19
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**B** Connects with Route 265C to White Bear Lake.

**Bold type – 270D & 270E Express:** NO STOPS between Minneapolis and Beam Ave.

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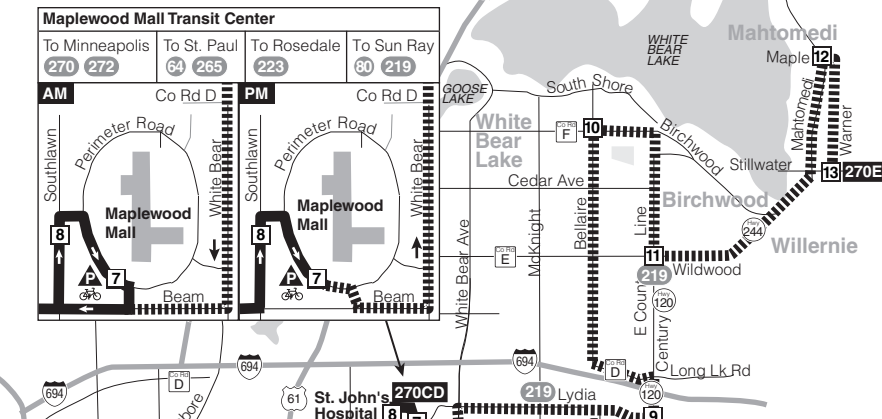
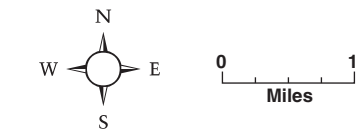


**Minneapolis Downtown Zone**

Ride in the Downtown Zone for 50¢.



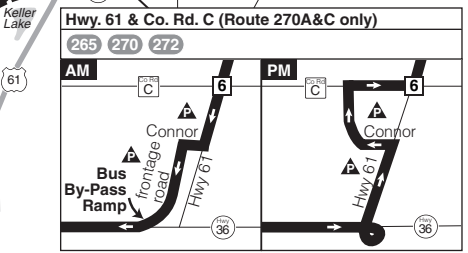
- 3** Timepoint on schedule  
Find the timepoint nearest your stop, and use that column of the schedule. Your stop may be between timepoints.
- Regular Route**  
Bus will pick up or drop off customers at any bus stop along this route.
- Express Route**  
Bus does not pick up or drop off customers on these route segments.
- Limited Service**  
Only certain trips take this route.
- Limited Stop Service**  
Bus stops only at designated bus stops or in designated direction (see **Special Notes**).
- 49S** Route Ending Point  
Trips from downtown with the indicated letter end at this point. Letter is found in schedules and on bus destination signs.
- B** Route Letter  
Indicates which trips travel on this section of the route. Letter is found in schedules and on bus destination signs.
- 324 11** Connecting Routes to transfer to/from  
See those route schedules for details.
- Light Rail**  
Trains will pick up or drop off customers at any station along this route.
- Park & Ride Lot**  
Park free at these lots while you commute.
- Bike Locker**  
These sites have weatherproof bike storage for rent.
- Trans 104** Transfer Point  
Several routes serve this stop.



**Customers not using the express portion of the route pay only the local fare.**



Note: Due to the reconstruction of Marquette Avenue and 2nd Avenue South in downtown Minneapolis, this route will operate on detour through the end of 2009. Look for details at affected bus stops and at metrotransit.org.



- Park & Ride Lot Locations**  
Park free at these lots while you commute. No overnight parking.
- Maplewood**  
Maplewood Mall Park & Ride - southwest corner of mall lot near Beam Avenue and Southlawn Drive.
  - Highway 61 and County Road C Park & Ride** - southwest corner on service road.
  - Hmong American Alliance Church** - on west frontage road of Hwy 61, south of Co Rd C Park & Ride. Do not park in lot south of building.