**Early Departures**

**Hobby:**

Weekdays, the first southbound METRORail train reaches Fannin South around 5:40 AM, in time to catch a 5:50 bus and reach the airport at 6:20. Hobby can be reached by 5:50 AM by taking METRORail north to Bell, walking two blocks north to Lamar & Main, and catching the 50 Harrisburg bus at 5:05 AM.

Weekends, the 73 from Fannin South is the earliest available bus, reaching the airport at 7:20 on Saturday and 7:35 on Sunday.

**Intercontinental:**

Weekdays, the earliest 102 leaves St. Joseph & Main at 5:05 AM, reaching IAH at 6:14 AM.

Weekends, the earliest downtown departure that can be reached by rail leaves St. Joseph & Main at 6:14 AM and reaches IAH at 7:14 AM.

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**Late Arrivals**

**Hobby:**

Weekdays, the last 88 Downtown bus leaves Hobby at 11:04 PM.

Saturdays, the last bus is a 73 Bellfort leaving at 11:45 PM.

Sundays, the last 73 departs around 9:10 PM. 50 Harrisburg buses to downtown leave later at around 9:50 PM and 10:50 PM.

**Intercontinental:**

Weekdays, the earliest 102 leaves St. Joseph & Main at 5:05 AM, reaching IAH at 6:14 AM.

Weekends, the earliest downtown departure that can be reached by rail leaves St. Joseph & Main at 6:14 AM and reaches IAH at 7:14 AM.

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**Schedules**

Schedules for all METRO services are available at http://www.ridemetro.org/. Paper schedules are available at the METRO Ridestore next to the Downtown Transit Center and usually at the RMC information desk at Rice.

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**Questions? Comments? Need additional directions? Email JLL5@rice.edu**

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Before Your Trip

Get a Q Card
The Q Card is used to pay your fare on METRO buses and trains. Stop by the Rice Cashier’s office and they will load up your Rice-issued Q Card free of charge!

For a round trip to either Hobby Airport (HOU) or Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) you will need a Q Card balance of at least $2.50.

Riding with a Q Card
Always remember to tap your Q Card on the reader before boarding a METRORail train. A similar reader is located on your right as you enter the bus. Unlimited transfers among METRO services within 3 hours are free, but you must always tap.

Hobby Airport
Board METRORail heading south toward Fannin South. Trains run every 6 minutes on weekdays, 12 minutes on weekends, and 20 minutes after 9 PM.

Ride all the way to Fannin South, about 12 minutes from Rice.

To the train’s left as it pulled in is the park & ride lot. You should also see some bus shelters. Walk to the one with the sign reading “73 Bellfort Crosstown EASTBOUND.”

Board the bus that stops there. The destination sign should read “73 Bellfort Hobby Airport.” Buses depart every 8-15 minutes on weekdays, 30 minutes on Saturdays (:19, :49 after), 35 minutes on Sundays (see “Schedules” on back).

The bus will reach the airport in about 30 minutes. Pull the cord, push the button, or touch the yellow tape to signal the stop as you enter the airport.

Note the location of the bus stop for your return trip. A 73 Bellfort or an 88 Downtown bus will get you on your way back to Rice. Just ride until you see METRORail and make the connection.

Travel time: 50 to 70 minutes depending on transfer time.

Bush Intercontinental
Board METRORail heading north toward UH Downtown. Trains run every 6 minutes on weekdays, 12 minutes on weekends.

Get off at Downtown Transit Center, about a 10 minute ride from Rice.

Walk to the bus stop reading 102 Bush IAH Express near the south end of the light rail platform at St. Joseph & Main. Buses leave for the airport every 13-40 minutes all week (see “Schedules” on back) and the trip takes 60-70 minutes.

The bus will let you off at Terminal C near the baggage claim. Note the location of the stop, which is the same for the return trip to downtown. Buses to downtown depart every 15-45 minutes. Travel time: 80 to 100 minutes depending on transfer.