



## **BIG NEWS!**

*Welcome nonstop to Orlando International Airport*

Allegiant Air shared some amazing news this month: they are starting nonstop service to Orlando International Airport (MCO)! Tickets are on sale now, and flights start in May 2024.

The addition of MCO creates an easy and convenient option for access to popular theme parks, and many other attractions in the heart of Orlando. Allegiant's flights to Orlando/Sanford (SFB) also will continue to be offered from AVL.

Congratulations to our partners at Allegiant for this terrific addition to their route map!

[LEARN MORE AND BOOK A TRIP>](#)



## SHUTTLE LOT SOUTH NOW OPEN

*Just in time for holiday travel*

The new Shuttle Lot South is open in time for the holiday travel season! The Shuttle Lot South is located near the Marathon gas station, across from the WNC AG center with an entrance on Rental Car Road.

This lot has 600 spaces (500 currently open) and is continually serviced by the airport shuttles.

There is still some work to be done on the north end of the lot, including an entrance on Terminal Drive, that is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2024.

[PARKING OPTIONS + MAP](#)



## ARRIVE AT LEAST TWO HOURS BEFORE BOARDING

*The holiday travel season is here*

The holidays are here, and that means more people are flying. With increased volume due to holiday travel, AVL would like to remind everyone to **arrive at least two hours before your flight boards**, instead of two hours prior to departure time. Boarding times vary depending on the airline and flight but are generally 30-50 minutes before departure (check your boarding pass). While AVL always advises arriving two hours early, it is more important than ever.

Two hours prior to boarding allows plenty of time to park, check-in and get through security before making your way to your gate. No one wants the stress of having to rush because you are in danger of missing your flight. And if you arrive at your gate early, you can check out some of the amenities AVL offers including the Blue Ridge Tavern and Trading, Cinnabon, Auntie Annes and Aletitude. Travel smoothly this holiday season by arriving early and enjoy your seasonal adventure!



## SPOTLIGHT: BLUE RIDGE TAVERN

*Enjoy some delicious food before your flight*

AVL has your culinary needs covered with the Blue Ridge Tavern, located past the TSA checkpoint. They offer multiple food options, including breakfast, and a selection of local beers on tap (among many other offerings from the bar). Plus, Blue Ridge Trading, located right outside the restaurant, offers a selection of local goods and souvenirs that make great gifts. You can also find books, magazines, and other travel essentials.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT PASSENGER AMENITIES>](#)



## CONTRACTOR REACHES 100,000 MAN HOURS!



**AVL Forward** is the biggest, most significant infrastructure project ever undertaken at AVL, which will result in a completely new airport terminal for western North Carolina.

A big milestone occurred this month: Hensel Phelps, our construction firm, documented 100,000 man-hours worked. We have many more hundreds of thousands of work hours to go, but big strides have already been made toward our new terminal.

Here's what's happening now:

- Our **central energy plant** is oh-so-close! Interior finishing continues, and the underground utility connection work is underway.
- Next month, travelers will see more construction walls go up in the terminal. We're **closing half of our**



**ticket lobby**, and the north end will soon be demolished to make way for new construction.

- Next month, you will also see the **rental car counters move from baggage claim to the lower level (Level 1) of the garage** to make way for new construction. And yes, a construction wall will go up in the south end of baggage claim so the construction team can get started there.
- And, of course, **work continues on the new north concourse**. We're anticipating the placement of structural steel to begin early in the new year – stay tuned for news about that milestone!

We thank you for your patience and continued support as we work hard to bring AVL Forward for you!

[SEE THE FUTURE AVL](#)



## PAWS ON PARADE

*Paws for Passengers shows off their new uniforms!*

On November 7, more than 20 Paws for Passengers teams took part in a Thanksgiving Day Paw Parade... and if we do say so ourselves, the bark-tacular event was just as fun as the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. The Paws teams were excited to reveal their brand-new uniforms, that included custom designed, locally made matching blue vests (for humans and dogs). The Paws teams also took part in a passenger appreciation event where they handed out candy to passengers in between adorable photo ops at the Pooch's Pumpkin Patch photo booth.

[ENJOY THE PARADE](#)



# REAL QUESTIONS REAL ANSWERS

## AVL FORWARD

### WE'RE LISTENING

*And answering your questions*

**Comment from social media:** *"There needs to be more space at the gates so people are not sitting on the floor..." – Janet L., Facebook*

**Answer:** Yes, we do need more space at our gates, and yes, the gate areas can become very full sometimes, especially when many flights are arriving and departing at similar times. That's why we are building a new airport terminal ([learn more here](#)).

We understand that the experience can feel cramped during peak travel times, and we ask for your patience while we build a new AVL. The great news is that our new north concourse will be completed in less than 18 months, and it will be more spacious than anything we've ever had before.



### 27 NONSTOPS. ENDLESS CONNECTIONS.

*More options than ever before*

AVL has seen massive growth in the last decade, and even in the last few years, and now offers more flight options than ever before in its 60+ year history. The number of nonstop destinations has more than doubled in just the last 6 years.

AVL flies nonstop to destinations all over the country on 6 different airlines, including many major hubs. It is more convenient than ever to fly nonstop from AVL on your next trip. Let Allegiant, American, Delta, JetBlue, Sun Country and United take you wherever you need to go on your next adventure.

**BOOK A FLIGHT TODAY!>**

## 6 AIRLINES. 27 NONSTOP DESTINATIONS. LET'S GO!



[BOOK YOUR FLIGHT TODAY](#)



Copyright © 2023. All Rights Reserved.

Greater Asheville Regional Airport Authority | 61 Terminal Drive, Suite 1, Fletcher, NC 28732

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by pr@flyavl.com powered by



Try email marketing for free today!