NEW INITIATIVES AT AVL ENHANCE SAFETY & HEALTH

#AVLTravelSmart

We are preparing for the return of more significant numbers of air travelers in a post-Covid-19 environment, which will look different from what we have all known in the past. The airport team has launched a comprehensive plan to promote safety and health at the airport. We’re calling our initiative #AVLTravelSmart, because together, with some smart adjustments, we can enhance the health and safety of everyone involved in the travel journey.

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HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT AIR TRAVEL TODAY?

Take our short survey

Want to help your local airport? Please take our short travel sentiment survey. It will take less than 3 minutes, and your feedback will help us as we try to understand your feelings about air travel today as we plan for what’s next at AVL.

(You could also win this great t-shirt! We have lots to give away.)

TAKE SURVEY >

NEW SECURITY PROCEDURES ANNOUNCED BY TSA

Changes rolling out nationwide by mid-June

TSA is experiencing a steady growth of travelers coming through airport checkpoints, including at AVL. More security procedures are being implemented by mid-June. They include:

- Travelers will be asked to keep possession of their boarding passes, and self-scan them at the podium. Travelers will also hold the passes in view of the TSA officer for visual
inspection. This reduces the TSA officer’s need to touch a passenger’s boarding pass.

- Travelers will need to separate food (in carry-on luggage) for inspection. Food must now be placed in clear plastic bags and placed into a bin with no other items for screening. Why? Food often triggers alarms requiring luggage to be opened for closer inspection. This new step will reduce the instances in which passenger bags will be handled by TSA officers.

- Passengers may include one 12-oz bottle of hand sanitizer in their carry-on luggage, but this container must be removed from the carry-on for screening.

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AIRLINES BRINGING BACK MORE FLIGHTS
June and July schedules show increases in flights

As more of the country begins to open, more people are seeking flights for various reasons. The airlines are responding to this demand, and are adding more capacity to their flight schedules. It is important to note that all airlines have implemented stringent safety measures for their passengers and staff, and the most up-to-date information can be found at each airline’s website.

AIRLINE CONTACT INFO >

MOVING FORWARD FOR THE FUTURE
Long-term projects underway at the airport

The safety and health of our team and guests has been – and continues to be – our top priority at AVL. However, we must also continue to forge ahead with long-term projects that will position our airport well as air travel returns and begins to grow again.

There are a number of projects underway at AVL:

Newly configured Ground Transportation Lot — Opening June 8
We have remodeled our GT Lot so all ground transportation providers – taxis, limos, shuttles, and ride app providers like Uber and Lyft – will pick up passengers in the same general location. The GT Lot is located just outside of Baggage Claim at the south end of the terminal.

Remote Shuttle Lot and new Cell Phone Lot — slated for completion this summer
Located directly across from the main entrance to the airport, our new Shuttle and Cell Phone Lots are nearing completion. The Cell Phone Lot will open this summer; however, the Shuttle Lot will not open until passenger demand grows significantly.

Airfield projects —
Work is continuing on significant airfield projects. Paving of the new runway should be completed this summer. Also, work on the extended south ramp area is continuing, which will result in parking space for more aircraft.