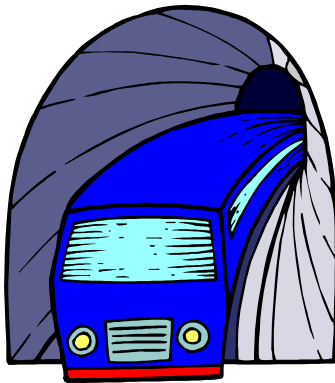


## Free Metrochecks to Employees in Northern Virginia

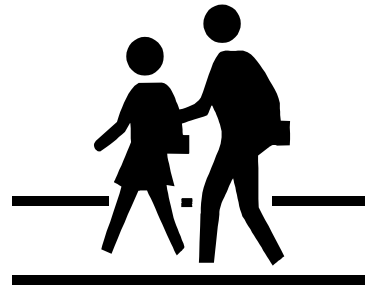
In compliance with an Executive Order from the Governor's office, Virginia Tech is offering its full-time employees who commute to certain identified Northern Virginia counties and cities up to \$100/month in free Metrochecks to use on public transit to get to work. You are eligible if you commute to work at least one day a month on public transit or vanpools **and** your office is located in one of the following areas: Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William, Spotsylvania, and Stafford or the cities of: Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas and Manassas Park.

If you or an employee of yours work in one of the identified areas, contact Suzanne Ducker at 231-1737 to get more information. The benefit is completely tax-free and is a win-win situation.



If you work in one of the counties/towns listed above, why not take the train/bus/vanpool and have Virginia Tech pay for the ride!

## Pedestrian Safety



The Office of Transportation has been working with the Police Department, the University Architect's office, and Site and Infrastructure Engineering to help make the campus a safer place for pedestrians. Over the coming months, pedestrians will notice several new crosswalks or "no parking" areas marked around campus. The goal of these new markings is to provide an identified area for crossing and a safer walking experience for the pedestrian.

Look for these improvements over the next few months:

- Forty-five foot "no-parking" area for buses, directly before the crosswalk in front of the Library on Kent Street;
- Crosswalk across the entrance to the green houses parking area;
- Crosswalks following the bike trail at the entrance ways to "the cage parking area" and across Oak Lane at the Overflow Lot; and
- Bike lane markings in the Burrows/Burleson Tennis Center Parking area.

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# TRANSPORTATION & PARKING

## WINTER 2003 UPDATE

The Transportation Update is published throughout the year to keep you informed of services, changes and improvements in the world of transportation at Virginia Tech. For more information or comments, please contact Suzanne Ducker at 231-1737 or email [sducker@vt.edu](mailto:sducker@vt.edu) web site: [www.ot.vt.edu](http://www.ot.vt.edu)



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## How does BT Work for You?

The Office of Transportation wants to know! Starting this February and running through April, Blacksburg Transit (BT) riders will be able to provide brief on-line evaluations of their ride experiences. These evaluations will be used to assess the level of service provided by BT and hopefully offer ways to improve an already good system. The first 25 people to sign up and complete at least 15 surveys will receive a \$20 Downtown Merchants Gift Certificate.

If you regularly ride the BT and want to participate in the program please call Suzanne Ducker at 231-1737 or [sducker@vt.edu](mailto:sducker@vt.edu). Your free downtown shopping trip is waiting for you!



Riders boarding a BT bus at Burruss Hall

## Parking Services Comes Closer to You

Parking Services has opened a satellite office in the new Student Services Building,

located on Washington Street across from the Coliseum Parking Lot. The office will be open Monday – Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Students, faculty and staff may purchase parking permits, pay parking tickets and turn in appeal forms. People wishing to discuss in-person parking or ticket issues will still need to visit the main office at 455 Tech Center Drive.

## Addition Completed at Parking Services

The new customer service area at Parking Services is completed and ready for you! No longer will you have to come in from the back or wait in line on the stairs! The front parking area has been graveled and the front door is open. The new area has ample room for you to fill out forms and be served by the staff.

You now have two great locations to receive Parking service: 455 Tech Center Drive and the new satellite office in Student Services. Remember; if one is busy why not try the other!



New customer services addition at Parking Services

More information on other side

