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TSA Removes Federal Mask Mandate for Public Transportation

BIRMINGHAM, AL (April 19, 2022) – In response to the ruling of a federal judge on April 18, the TSA has released the following statement:

"Due to today's court ruling, effective immediately, TSA will no longer enforce its Security Directives and Emergency Amendment requiring mask use on public transportation and transportation hubs. TSA will also rescind the new Security Directives that were scheduled to take effect tomorrow. CDC continues to recommend that people wear masks in indoor public transportation settings at this time."

The Birmingham Airport Authority complies with all Federal, state and local laws and regulations including those related to the mask mandate. With the removal of this federal requirement, there are currently no regulations requiring masks at the Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport. While passengers, employees and visitors are not required to wear a mask while at the airport, passengers are encouraged to check with their airline to determine whether a mask will be required while on the plane.

About Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport

As Alabama's largest commercial airport, Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport has served as a gateway to the sky for 90 years. Governed by the Birmingham Airport Authority, the airport continues to be a catalyst for growth and economic development for the entire region. For more information, visit <u>flybirmingham.com</u> or follow BHM on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

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