

Will Rogers World Airport

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HEAVY AIR TRAVEL PREDICTED FOR SPRING BREAK

The airlines at Will Rogers World Airport anticipate a busy spring break as travelers head out for their spring getaways.

While spring break is officially the week of March 15-19, all of the carriers are reporting very full loads beginning this Thursday afternoon and continuing Friday and Saturday. The strong bookings reflect the steady return of air travel in the Oklahoma City market. Except for December 2003, the airport has had eight consecutive months of increases in passenger traffic.



Because of large crowds, terminal construction and additional security rules, travelers are encouraged to arrive at the terminal at least an hour and a half to two hours prior to their scheduled departure time. Travelers and visitors can avoid stressful situations with a little preparation and by following the tips below.

CONSTRUCTION:

- Use caution when driving in and out of the airport and be aware of traffic signs.
- Inside the terminal, newly erected construction walls have changed some familiar paths. Look for directional signs.
- Take advantage of the different services provided at the airport: curbside check-in, one hour free parking in the hourly parking garage, and shuttle parking.

SECURITY:

- Pack smart. Think about the items that are being packed in both checked and carry on luggage. Could they be a security problem?
- Be sure to put identification on the inside *and* outside of your luggage.
- Don't wrap gifts. Wrapped packages in both carryon and checked baggage may require additional inspection, which means – unwrapping the present.
- Plastic containers are now being provided at the security checkpoint. Place all loose items, including cell phones, pagers, keys, change, coats and jackets into the containers, and then place on the conveyor belt.
- Avoid clothing and accessories that will set off the metal detector including shoes.
- For a comprehensive list of security travel tips, check the TSA's website:
www.tsatraveltips.us

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GENERAL:

- Only one bag and one personal item, such as a purse or laptop computer, is allowed for carryon. If unsure about the weight and size of any piece of luggage, check the airline's website.
- Take advantage of the airlines automated kiosks for quicker check-in
- Be prepared to show your boarding pass plus your government issued photo ID at the security checkpoint
- Allow plenty of time.
- Do not leave car unattended in front of terminal building
- Ticketed passengers only beyond the checkpoint
- Always carry medicine, cash, jewelry, passports, visas, business papers and other valuables such as cameras onboard with you

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