

American Airlines Opens Line Maintenance Station at Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport

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Investment enables American to better support peak summer operations

FORT WORTH, TEXAS — American Airlines today announced it will open a new Line Maintenance station at Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) just in time for the summer peak season. The airline's 29th Line Maintenance station will provide additional support for the increased maintenance needed to ready American's aircraft for the busy summer travel season while also improving operational reliability and increasing the number of available aircraft to accommodate customers each morning.

The newest Line Maintenance station — a more than \$42 million investment — will be completed in three phases. In the first phase, which begins in May, American will secure temporary space at IAH and start recruiting aviation maintenance technicians (AMTs). In the second phase, which begins in June, additional maintenance work will be added, such as service checks and engine washes, as well as other maintenance work on aircraft that remain overnight. The third and final phase concludes in the first quarter of 2020 and will include renovated breakrooms, offices and toolbox storage spaces for AMTs.

"With an average of 38 daily departures at IAH, there are additional opportunities for us to perform maintenance on our aircraft, ultimately enabling us to provide a stellar travel experience for our customers and team members this summer," said Kevin Brickner, Senior Vice President of Technical Operations for American. "On any given night, we have up to 10 aircraft that remain at IAH overnight, so this is a way to take advantage of our resources and invest in additional talent in order to improve our operations during one of our busiest times of the year."

The Line Maintenance station at IAH will be staffed with approximately 46 AMTs and other support personnel who

will perform maintenance on the carrier's Boeing 737 and Airbus A319, A320 and A321 aircraft. These positions are in addition to the **more than 250 AMTs the airline is currently hiring across its network and further demonstrate** American's commitment to ensuring that its Tech Ops team is positioned to continue providing the best service for customers and team members this summer and beyond.

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