

REGULAR BUS vs. RAPID BUS vs. BUS RAPID TRANSIT

REGULAR BUS

TYPICAL FEATURES

- No special branding
- Frequent stops
- Wide range of stop facilities – from very basic to elaborate
- Wide range of service frequencies – from very infrequent to very frequent
- Wide range of service spans – from early morning to late night to only a few trips



Nashville MTA regular bus service

RAPID BUS

TYPICAL FEATURES

- Special branding
- Simple service design
- Limited stops
- Enhanced stops/stations
- Frequent service (at least every 15 minutes)
- Service from early morning to late night
- Real-time passenger information

OTHER COMMON FEATURES

- Unique vehicles, including high-capacity buses
- Queue jump lanes
- Transit signal priority
- Off-board fare collection



Nashville MTA "BRT-Lite" service

BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)

TYPICAL FEATURES

- Special branding
- Simple service design
- Limited stops
- High quality stations
- High-capacity buses
- Exclusive bus lanes
- Transit signal priority
- Very frequent service (at least every 10 minutes)
- Service from early morning to late night
- Real-time passenger information

OTHER COMMON FEATURES

- Unique vehicles
- Level platform boarding
- Off-board fare collection



Cleveland Healthline BRT service