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## **St. Louis Public Radio to assume operations of KMST**

Expanding on the success of [St. Louis Public Radio | 90.7 KWMU and Quincy Public Radio | WQUB 90.3](#), the [University of Missouri–St. Louis](#) will assume the operational and programming duties of Missouri University of Science and Technology’s public radio station KMST 88.5 FM in Rolla, Missouri, effective July 1, 2017.

"St. Louis Public Radio is one of the best public radio stations in the country – consistently winning national accolades and new audience share," University of Missouri–St. Louis Chancellor Tom George said. "We look forward to partnering with Missouri S&T to provide the Rolla and Phelps County area superior news-talk programming."

"For more than 40 years, KMST has played a significant role in the culture and social fabric of our community and the surrounding area," said Missouri S&T interim Chancellor Christopher G. Maples. "This arrangement with St. Louis Public Radio will ensure that KMST’s loyal listeners will continue to benefit from quality public radio programming for many years to come."

KMST will now be a part of the St. Louis Public Radio network joining 90.7 KWMU and 90.3 WQUB. Under the umbrella of St. Louis Public Radio, KMST will now broadcast St. Louis Public Radio’s current program [schedule](#). KMST listeners will be able to continue enjoying signature public radio programs such as *Morning Edition*, *All Things Considered*, *1A*, *The Moth Radio Hour* and *Wait Wait...Don’t Tell Me!*. In addition, they will now be able to hear other signature public radio programs such as, *Science Friday*, *The Takeaway*, *Fresh Air*, *The World* and *BBC World Service*.

One exception to St. Louis Public Radio’s current schedule will involve the retention of KMST program [Bluegrass for a Saturday Night](#).

"Public radio is a vitally important asset to the many communities it serves, so it is important to us to ensure that KMST will continue serving the Rolla area," said St. Louis Public Radio general manager Tim Eby.



As part of the change, KMST listeners will now have access to expanded statewide news coverage and regular reports from St. Louis Public Radio statehouse reporter Marshall Griffin. Additionally, St. Louis Public Radio officials pledge to continue supporting civic events and cultural programs in the Rolla area.

“Moving forward, it is our goal for St. Louis Public Radio to remain an important part of the cultural fabric of the Rolla community through various partnerships, sponsorships and long-lasting relationships,” said Eby.

KMST is a 100,000-watt non-commercial public radio station that broadcasts on 88.5 FM in Rolla and 96.3 FM in Lebanon, Missouri. KMST broadcasts are also streamed online at [www.kmst.org](http://www.kmst.org).

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St. Louis Public Radio | 90.7 KWMU and Quincy Public Radio | 90.3 WQUB provide the St. Louis and Quincy regions award-winning, in-depth news on-air and online, insightful discussion, and entertaining programs that focus on the issues and people who shape our communities, our country and our world. Signature programs include: *Morning Edition*, *All Things Considered*, *Fresh Air*, *This American Life*, *Marketplace*, *The Best of Car Talk*, *St. Louis on the Air*, *BBC World Service*, *The Tavis Smiley Show*, *Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me!* and *A Prairie Home Companion*.

St. Louis Public Radio, which broadcasts in HD on 90.7, 90.7-2 and 90.7-3, and is online at [www.stlpublicradio.org](http://www.stlpublicradio.org) reaches 429,000 people a month in the bi-state area. Quincy Public Radio, which broadcasts in HD on 90.3 and 90.3-2, reaches nine counties in western Illinois and northeastern Missouri.

St. Louis Public Radio | 90.7 KWMU and Quincy Public Radio | 90.3 WQUB are member-supported services of the University of Missouri-St. Louis.