

Connecting you to a world of resources and learning

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FULL TEXT

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month. If you don't have a library card, now is the perfect time to sign up for one. Library cards are free to Wisconsin residents and can connect you to a world of resources and learning. Save big money on your entertainment budget

Naturally, you can check out books, movies, CDs and video games to take home. There are hundreds of thousands of items to choose from, so you're sure to find something you love. All the Fox Cities libraries are also offering curbside service during this extraordinary time. You don't even have to come into the building to check out great materials.

Prefer digital materials? You can borrow and download or stream digital books, audiobooks, movies and more using your library card. OverDrive and Hoopla are the most popular digital material borrowing platforms and both offer free apps.

We can't forget about the kids! Tumble Books offers online animated, talking picture books with fiction, non-fiction and foreign language titles. Read-alongs, puzzles and games are available.

In addition to traditional materials, some libraries offer unique items to check out such as laptops, Wi-Fi hotspots, Kindles, iPads, ukuleles (yes, really!) and more. Visit your local library's website to learn about contact-free curbside service options and items available to check out.

Learn and get stuff done

Did you know we also offer a ton of online resources? Everything from job skill improvement courses to online language learning opportunities, we offer hundreds of options for you to expand your knowledge and skills.

We also offer services to help you out when your technology crashes, or when you need to take care of life's little tasks. Wi-Fi down? It's free at the library.

Is your printer out of ink? Stop by and take advantage of inexpensive printing services. Need to scan important documents? We've got scanners you can use for free.

Celebrate local businesses

This year, Appleton, Kaukauna and Kimberly-Little Chute public libraries have partnered with each other to celebrate the incredible small businesses that we have in the Fox Cities during the month of September. All month long, community members can show participating businesses their InfoSoup library card to receive a special offer. Check their websites for a listing of participating businesses.

There's more?

We've just started to scratch the surface when it comes to all the services available to you as a library card holder. You'll want to make sure you check out all our websites for even more resources. And as always, if you have questions about the services available or would like help getting started, please contact us.

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Libraries online

Appleton Public Library: apl.org

Kaukauna Public Library: kaukaunalibrary.org

Kimberly-Little Chute Public Library: kimlit.org

Elisha D. Smith Public Library: menashalibrary.org
Neenah Public Library: neenahlibrary.org
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