

The Signal



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Keeping Everyone Safe and Healthy



The Library is dedicated to ensuring the well-being of our community. Curbside service started in June as part of our reopening plan. This service will continue until we are able to move to the next phase. Right now, there is not an exact opening date yet.

Our priority is the safety of both patrons and staff, and we have incorporated appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), social distancing, safe material handling, increased disinfecting, and more.

Our library spaces are thoroughly cleaned 5 days per week using hospital grade disinfectants.

Additional routine cleaning for frequently touched surfaces is being performed as needed throughout the day.

Items in Quarantine

The Library is also taking precautions as we circulate items again. We are following guidelines from Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), and local health authorities.

Returned items are handled by staff wearing face masks and gloves. The items are then put on a cart in our materials quarantine area for 4 days. Items are not

touched by anyone during this time frame.

When the quarantined items are ready, staff wearing face masks and gloves will check them in from your record. (This may account for a delay in returned items disappearing from your account.) Items are then reshelfed or passed on to the next person on hold.

Your library is doing everything we can to ensure your new items will be safe when you bring them home to enjoy. We really miss you – and thank you for understanding. Please check fppld.org for news and updates.

Curbside Service

Curbside service is an easy, contactless way to get library items. The service is for Franklin Park library cardholders only. These items can be requested from the Franklin Park Library collection: books, DVDs, video games, CDs, magazines, audiobooks, wifi hotspots, and Rokus. We are unable to fulfill requests for items from other libraries at this time.

Place a request in the online catalog, the SWAN app, through online chat or by calling 847-455-6016. We require at least 24 hours notice for pick-up the next day. If all items are not available at the same time, you will be notified

whenever the other items are ready for pick-up.

Library staff will call you when your items are ready. Pick-up hours are 10:00 am - 6:45 pm on Monday through Friday. Park in the curbside line near the library's north entrance. Stay in your car, have your library card or a photo ID ready, and your trunk opened.

A staff member will come to your car, verify your ID through your window, retrieve your order, deposit the bag(s) in your trunk, and close your trunk. All items will be checked out to you, and you will receive a list of what was

requested. Items are loaned for 3 weeks, and have 2 auto-renewals.

Curbside Service Pick-up



Step 1

Place a request using the SWAN app, our online catalog, call the Info or Kids Crossing Desk, or chat online with library staff.



Step 2

Get a phone call when your items are ready to be picked up.



Step 3

Come to the Library and park in the curbside line. Stay in your car, have your library card or photo ID ready, and your trunk opened.



Step 4

Receive your items!

Library Programs & Events

Even though we can't connect in person, we are still bringing you opportunities to learn and be entertained from home. We are using Zoom, Facebook Live, and YouTube to offer virtual programs for all ages. We have storytimes, book talks, book clubs, fitness classes, gaming, crafts, and so much more! We will also be offering take-home kits of crafts and activities for you to create at home. *Please note that many of our virtual programs require you to sign up so we can email you Zoom invitations or other*

information. Check our website frequently for updates to our virtual programming line-up.

Now is also a great time for you to register for our weekly e-newsletter, *Beyond the Books*, which features programs and news and is delivered to your inbox every Sunday. Sign up to receive *Beyond the Books* at fppld.org/programming-ebblast. Don't have a computer or internet? Just call the Info Desk or Kids Crossing Desk to inquire about virtual program offerings.

2020 Summer Reading Challenge



It just wouldn't be summer without Summer Reading! Our program might look a little different from past years,

but it's definitely still happening. Summer Reading kicked off on **Monday, June 1 and continues through Friday, July 31**. We have lots of creative ideas in the works to help you "Imagine Your Story," including prizes, virtual programs, and most importantly, reading. This summer, you can sign up and participate on our website or use our new mobile app, READSquared, to track your reading progress.

You'll find a reading log for children, teens, and adults on the next three pages. Feel free to use them to keep track of your reading this summer!



Find out more information about this year's Summer Reading Challenge, including how to sign up and participate, on our website at fppld.org/src.

IMAGINE
— YOUR —
STORY

Color in a circle for every 10 minutes you read.
This entire reading log = 500 minutes.



IMAGINE — YOUR — STORY

Children's Summer Reading Challenge

Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone #: _____

2020 Teen Summer Reading Challenge



Keep track of the minutes you read from **Monday, June 1 - Friday, July 31**. Turn in your reading log by July 31st for an entry into the grand prize drawing.

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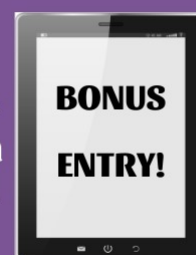
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2020 Adult Summer Reading Challenge



Keep track of the minutes you read from **Monday, June 1 - Friday, July 31**. Turn in your reading log by July 31st for an entry into the grand prize drawing.

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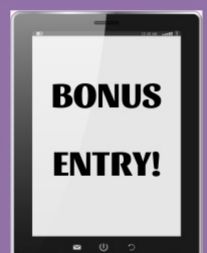
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Library News

2020 Census

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The United States Constitution mandates a count of the country's population once every 10 years.

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments,

schools, roads, and other resources based on Census data.

The results of the Census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

Have you completed your 2020

Census form yet? Respond to the 2020 Census online, by phone, or by mail today. Regardless of how you choose to respond, your information will be kept confidential and can only be used to produce statistics. Your responses cannot be used against you in any way. Learn more at <https://2020census.gov>.

census facts

2020 Census data will help inform how billions of dollars are distributed to states and communities every year for the next 10 years.



United States
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The 2020 Census will determine how many congressional representatives each state gets.



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The Census Bureau is bound by Title 13 of the U.S. Code to keep your information confidential.



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Free Wifi Available 24/7

FREE WIFI



Wifi is available 24/7 in the Library's parking lot. We ask that you practice social distancing and remain in your vehicle. Look for the "Franklin Park Library" network. No password is required, but you must accept the wifi agreement that pops up.

FREE WIFI



Library News

Apply for a Digital Library Card

Interested in getting a library card? Now you can register for a digital card online. You'll gain access to our digital library, which has collections of ebooks, audiobooks, and streaming media, along with plenty of educational resources and research tools.

Visit fppld.org/get-a-digital-library-card and fill out the form to register. Upon registration, you will be granted full access to our digital library. Your new digital card is valid for 90-days (requires library verification for further extension).



If you wish to checkout items, your digital library card must be upgraded to a full access card by library staff. Contact Circulation Services at 847-455-6016, ext. 1 to have your card upgraded.

Online Tutoring, Resume Help, and Much More with Brainfuse Helpnow

Help is here with **Brainfuse Helpnow**, a suite of e-learning tools for all ages and education levels. If you're looking to study, you'll find online tutors, practice tests, and an abundance of individual and group study tools, for kindergarten through college. Live online tutoring is available from 2:00 - 11:00 pm every day. Brainfuse's tutors are highly trained and over 80% have a Master's degree or PhD. in their field.

Adults will find career resources, exam prep (GED, US Citizenship exam), skills building courses (reading, math, writing), and



Microsoft Office help. One of the highlights for adults is the "Write a Winning Resume" section. Upload your resume, and it will be edited by a Brainfuse instructor, who will offer helpful tips for you.

Ready to begin? Get your Franklin Park library card and visit fppld.org/digital to sign-up for Brainfuse Helpnow.

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Fax: 847-455-6299
Email: info@fppld.org

HOURS OF SERVICE

The Library building is temporarily closed until further notice. Visit fppld.org or call 847-455-6016 for more information.

UPCOMING CLOSINGS

Friday, July 3rd at 1:00 pm
Saturday, July 4th - Independence Day
Monday, September 7th - Labor Day

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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PLEASE NOTE:

The Library is currently not accepting donations. If you have books you wish to donate, you may still deposit them in the green Better World Books bin in the parking lot behind the building. We are not accepting donations of any other materials at this time. Thank you for your cooperation.