



Powhatan County Public Library

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Powhatan County Public Library Reopens on Monday, March 15th

Powhatan County Public Library will reopen to the public on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Due to COVID-19-related safety measures, the Library will be open for limited hours and occupancy, Monday through Thursday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The Library is closed on Friday and Sunday. Books to Go and Curbside Print services will also continue to be available; however, once the building reopens, the pickup stations will move to the Library atrium. Library programs will continue to be offered online.

Face coverings continue to be required inside the library. Staff will continue to wear masks. While Powhatan County remains under a local state of emergency, Library public restrooms will remain closed. Library meeting rooms are also unavailable until further notice.

The Library book drop continues to be open 24/7 for patron convenience; however, patrons are asked to return mobile hotspots in the bin below the Books to Go table in the atrium during business hours.

All returned items will continue to be quarantined before they are returned to circulation. The Library remains unable to accept donations at this time; however, the Friends of the Library bookstore will be open during library business hours.

The Library team will continue to offer Books to Go and Curbside Print services. Books to Go is a convenient contactless pick-up option for those who prefer to quickly obtain library materials in traditional formats. With Books to Go, patrons may reserve print materials, DVDs, and audiobooks online or by phone.

To take advantage of this service, patrons have two options: place items on hold online through the catalog at www.powhatanlibrary.net or call the library at 598-5670 to request items. Online hold placement is available 24/7. Depending on their account settings, patrons will be notified that their Books to Go order is ready for pickup either by phone or email.

With Books to Go, items are packaged in a new paper bag labeled with the patron's last name. The bag is then placed on a table at the main entrance of the Library. PCPL's Books to Go pickup is available during open hours. Items are held for 3 business days. The limit of 20 holds per cardholder per day and the 50 item checkout limit per card will remain in effect.

Curbside print/copy service will continue to be offered. Patrons may submit one printing/copying request per day for up to 10 pages of black and white printing at no charge. Requests may be submitted via email to print@powhatanlibrary.net. Staff will notify the patron via email when the print request is ready for pickup on the table in the Library atrium.

During the pandemic, Powhatan County Public Library has continued to provide reliable service while adhering to COVID-19 safety guidelines set forth by the Commonwealth. Library WiFi and digital resources continue to be available 24/7.

We encourage Powhatan community members to apply online for a library card. The Powhatan County Public Library card allows you to take advantage of our Books to Go Service and provides access to our professionally curated collection of e-books, e-audiobooks, and digital magazines. To apply online, visit <https://tinyurl.com/online-card-registration>.

If you don't see the item you're looking for in our catalog, please feel free to submit a suggestion online at: <https://tinyurl.com/recommend-title>. We welcome suggestions for materials in a variety of formats: print, audio, DVD, and e-book/e-audio.

We welcome you to visit www.powhatanlibrary.net for more details and like us on Facebook for all the latest, up-to-date library news and information. To reach us by phone, contact us at 804-598-5670.

About Powhatan County Public Library

Powhatan County Public Library is an innovative resource serving as a community center, providing access to technology, engaging activities, and excellent customer service.

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