

# A Social Narrative About COVID-19 and Construction Changes



## At Lakeland Public Library

Lakeland Public Library 100 Lake Morton Drive, Lakeland, Florida, 33801 863-834-4280

# Notes for parents and caregivers

At this time, screening measures are currently in place. Temperature checks are required.

Some in-person library programs and events are currently suspended until further notice.

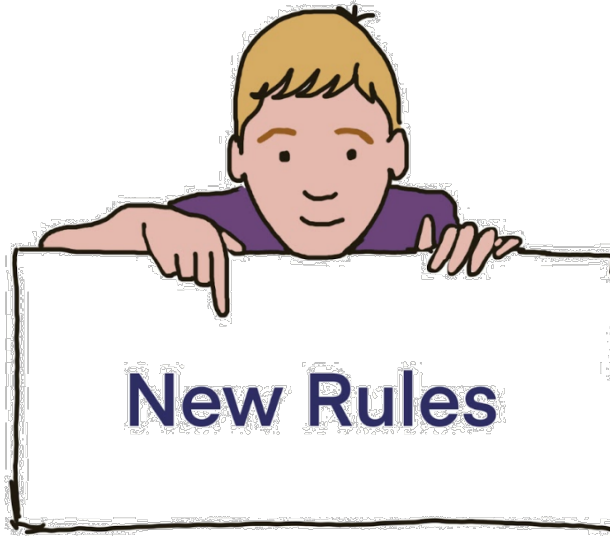
- 1) Call 863-834-4280 to order a hold on books you would like to pick up from the front desk. Or
- 2) Books by Mail is a service offered to have materials sent directly to your house. For more information, please contact library staff at 863-834-4263.

This social narrative is meant to help explain the safety procedures that are in place.

If you would like to review the general social experience story for the library, it can be found here:

<https://www.lakelandgov.net/media/2723/our-visit-to-the-lakeland-public-librarydraft3.pdf>

# I am going to the Lakeland Public Library!

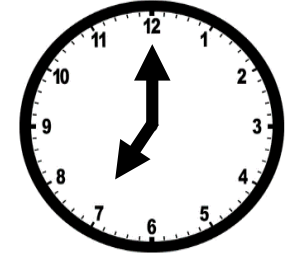
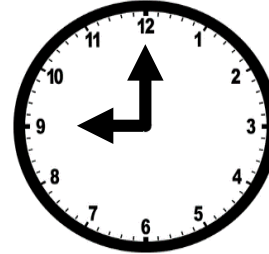


Like lots of other places, the library has new rules because of the coronavirus. They are ready for me to visit now, but we still need to be careful about the virus. The library is under construction too which means some things are going to be different...

# When is the Library Open?

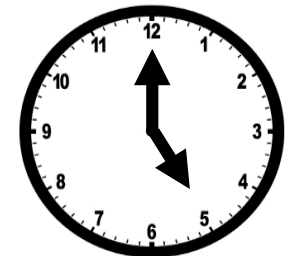
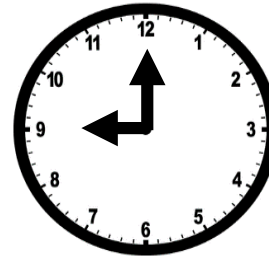
- Monday through Thursday

9:00 am to 7:00 pm



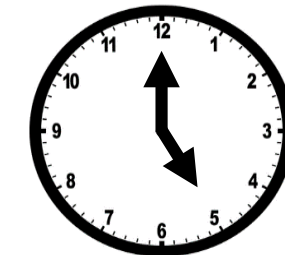
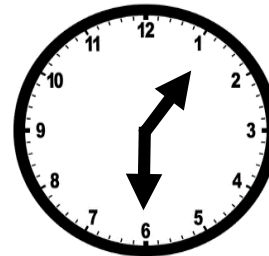
- Friday and Saturday

9:00 am to 5:00 pm



- Sunday

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm



Some areas of the library and all computers are shut down 15 minutes before closing time.

I will have my temperature checked at the meeting room.



Get temperature check.



# Circulation Desk

The Circulation Desk looks a little different. We can still ask someone here for help finding the children's department, how to get a library card and check out books and other things.

We can also return books here.



I will see some people wearing masks. Some of the friendly and welcoming staff will also wear masks.



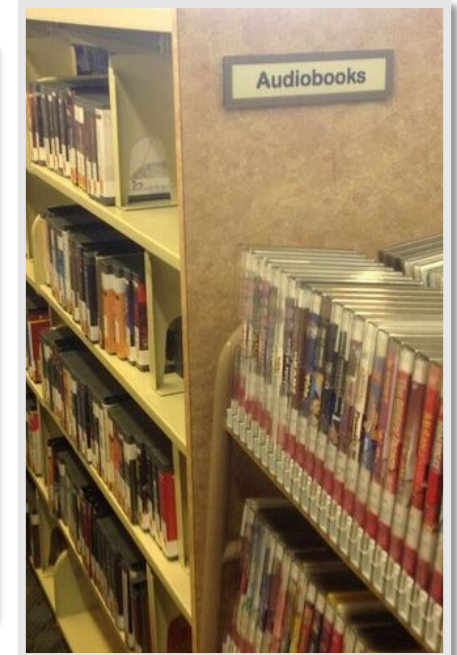
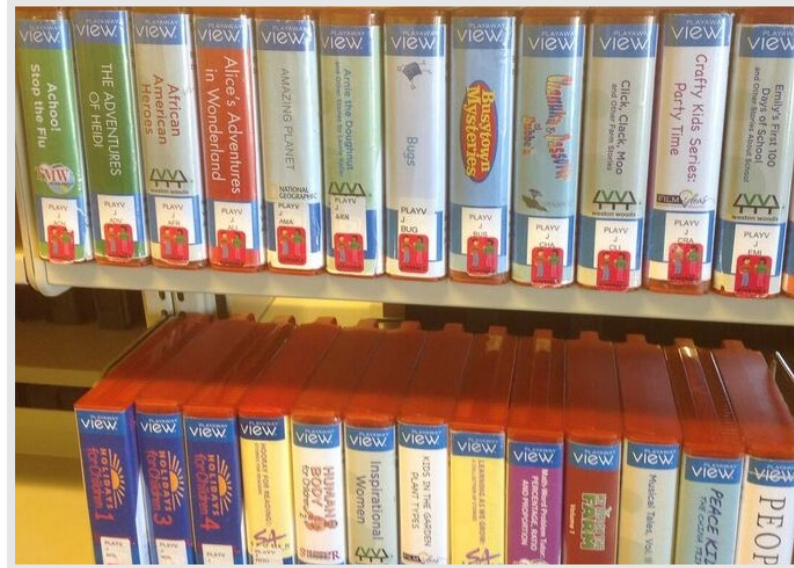


I will see hand sanitizer stations in the library to help me keep my hands clean. I can also wash my hands in the bathroom.





I must use clean hands  
when I touch books, discs,  
and equipment.



The water fountains will be available.  
Bathrooms will be open and available.

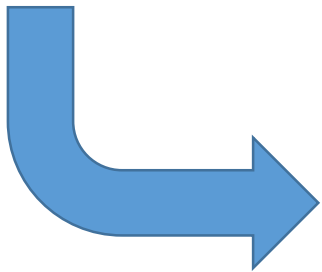




Some of the items that are usually in the children's area might be gone so that they cannot spread germs. They will be back again someday when it is safe. There are still computers and lots of fun books to read.



This is what it used to be like.



This is what it's like now.



There are lots of great books!



The computers will be available. The study tables will, too.



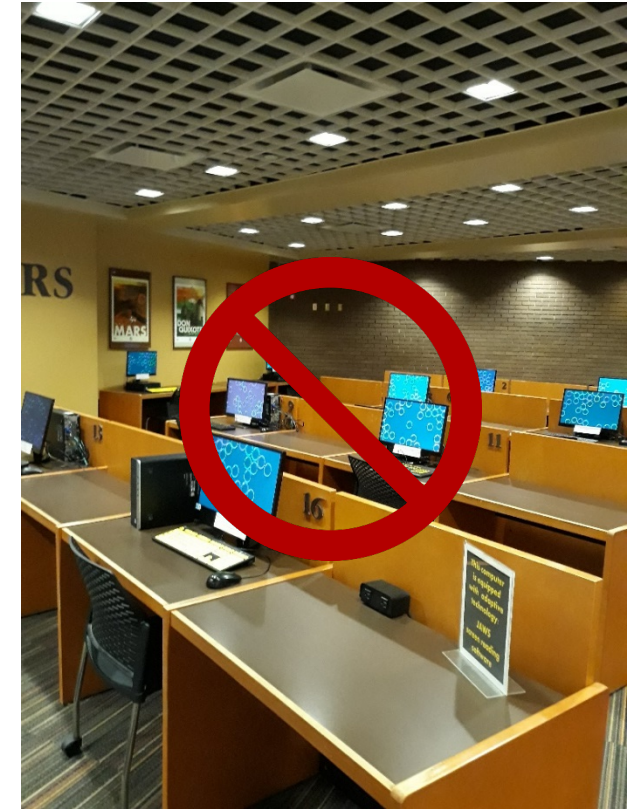


In the teen room there is more distance between computers. I may have to wait for a computer. That's okay, I can find a book to read.





The computers and tables in the adult area are unavailable.  
The adult area is under construction. It will open again when  
the construction is finished.



There are acrylic screens in front of the Public Service desks and at the Checkout desk. If I am talking to the staff I may have to talk louder so they can hear me.





To limit contact with other people who are not in our family, it's smart to stay 6 feet apart.

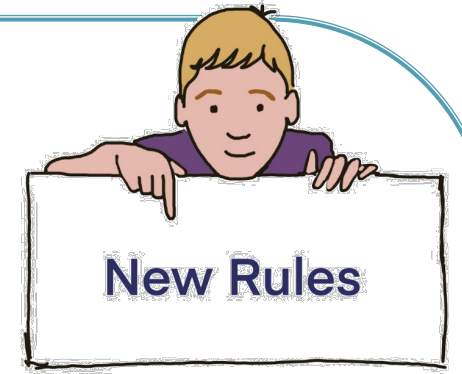




Things are a little different now at Lakeland Public Library. All of these changes are to help keep me healthy and safe from harmful viruses. I will do my best to follow the new rules so everyone can have a fun visit to the Public Library.



## Rules I will try to follow:



- 1) Wash my hands and use hand sanitizer often.
- 2) Keep my distance between other people.
- 3) If the space is too full of people, I will wait and come back when it's not busy.
- 4) I might wear a mask while I am indoors.
- 5) Some activities are not available for a while. I will find other things to do instead.

# The End



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