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Your Digital Library Newstand

Newspaper conglomerates everywhere are putting up paywalls, making it more difficult to access national and local news from reputable sources without paying subscription costs. Luckily, we have a variety of eResources to give our customers free access to their favorite publications. A few of those resources include RB Digital, America's Newspapers and National Geographic.

RB Digital Magazines

Have you ever tried to read through a magazine article in the checkout line at the grocery store so you don't have to buy it? Try reading it on your smart device through the RB Digital app or in your web browser with your library account!

We subscribe to hundreds of titles through RB Digital and the best part is, customers can check out as many magazines as they want. Popular titles like US Weekly, Highlights for Kids and niche titles like Runner's World, Guitar Player magazine and more are available for checkout through RB Digital.

Popular Features:

Notifications

Users can adjust their notifications under "account settings" in "My Preferences" and opt to receive email notifications when their favorite publication releases a new issue.

Printing

Users can print any page in a particular issue, including all those fun posters found in kids and other publications.



Text View

Trouble reading that tiny text? Text view allows users to put articles into an easier to read one-column format.

No Checkout Limits

No waits. No holds. No returning titles before checking out new ones.



Booksale 2020 in the Books

The Friends of the Library Annual Booksale celebrated their 40th anniversary this year, and with it, a new achievement. "The Friends of the Library have a record number of members this year," says Heather Zeoli, MLS Development Director. "And over 5,500 followers on Facebook."

To learn more about the Friends of the Library, visit <https://www.supportmls.org/friends>.



America's Newspapers

Want to see your niece in Stillwater's wedding announcement? Or find the obituary for your great grandfather who grew up in Vinita and died in the 1970s? Our customers can access the latest news and the archives through America's Newspapers.

Popular Features:

Browse by Topic

The home page includes curated collections including topics like, 2020 U.S. Presidential Race, Books and Authors, Education, Jobs and Careers and more.

Hometown News

This is a great way to keep up with your hometown news if your local paper has moved to a subscription-only service. However, some papers may take longer to be added to the archive.

Printing

Users can print available articles from the America's Newspapers website.

Easy Citation

This site also offers citation by going to the top of an article and selecting "Cite", then selecting the citation style.

National Geographic

Is your child at that age where they are constantly asking why? Do you enjoy reading the print National Geographic, but don't want to pay for a subscription? Look no further than the library eResource, the National Geographic Virtual Library offers a robust learning experience for all ages.

Parents can show their little scientists' articles, videos and photos to teach them about the latest topics in the scientific field on National Geographic Kids. Adults can read books and access videos and more on a variety of topics.

Popular Features:

Browse by Topic

Both National Geographic and National Geographic Kids



allow users to browse by topic such as animals, environment, history and more.

View Back Issues

Issues as far back as 2009 on National Geographic Kids and as far back as 1988 on National Geographic Magazine.

Printing

Print articles and back issues easily in your web browser.

Image Search

Search for anything from the Grand Canyon to Buddhist Monk in the National Geographic Virtual Library and find stunning photos from throughout history.

Walking Toward a Buddha Statue
National Geographic Featured Images, November 29, 2016

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Sixteen students from Edmond Public Schools have been named semifinalists in the prestigious 2020 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.

"It's believed the total is the highest ever for the district," said Susan Parks-Schlepp, director of public information/community involvement.

The semifinalists were selected from more than 5,000 candidates expected to graduate from high schools across the United States.

"Inclusion in the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program is one of the highest honors bestowed upon graduating high school seniors," Parks-Schlepp said.



Spring Break at the Library

Spring Break can be an overwhelming time for both parents and library staff as we prepare for an influx of children and teens looking for entertainment and learning experiences at their local library. Below are some events and ideas to keep children engaged all break.

Tell parents about the Library's digital collection. Parents planning a road trip with their families may be delighted to know that they can take the library with them! Applications like Libby, Hoopla, Kanopy and Speakaboos are traveling lifesavers. Families can listen to audiobooks in the car together, watch movies in the hotel and more on these free library resources.

Set out some passive programming at your library. This may include things like a ballot box to poll customers on their favorite read of 2020 so far, coloring stations, puzzles and more. Your imagination is the limit! Try something new or unique with your library customers.



Inspire them to enter the Fan Fiction and Fan Art Contest at Southern Oaks Library. Encourage teens to get writing and drawing! Submissions will be accepted through March 22 at 6:00 p.m. by emailing cjones@metrolibrary.org or by dropping them off at the Southern Oaks Library. Winners will be announced at the announcement party and awards ceremony on March 28, 2020 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The Fan Fiction and Fan Art contest was founded by Southern Oaks Librarian, John Hilbert. Hilbert passed away last year, but his memory is certainly not forgotten. SO continues to recognize the remarkable talents of people in our community. For the full list of rules, visit www.metrolibrary.org/fan.

Tell them about upcoming film-making programs. The Bethany Library is hosting a unique Film Camp 101 on Mar. 16 and 19 in their makerspace to teach teens the basics of using film equipment. Each teen will have the opportunity to create their own 90 second movie. The Downtown Library is hosting a Stop Motion Film Making series beginning Mar. 18 where children and teens can learn to storyboard, create characters and create mini sets.

Direct them to STEAM programs. In addition to filmmaking, several libraries host coding programs for children and teens. The Northwest Library will host a Spring Break Coding Camp Mar. 16-20. The Program series includes computational thinking, algorithms & debugging, conditionals, loops and events and variables.

Encourage them to try an escape room. Escape rooms have become a library programming hit, and it's no surprise, they're relatively inexpensive and yield lasting rewards! Children, teens and families can engage in family entertainment that encourages critical thinking, problem solving and team building. The Del City Library is hosting two Triwizard Escape Rooms on Mar. 19.

Tell bored teens about board games at the Library. The Almonte Library is hosting a Spring Break Game Room Mar. 16, 18 and 20. The program series includes video games and group challenges to get children and teens thinking critically, building new friendships and having some good old-fashioned fun.



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21 years, Children's Librarian I

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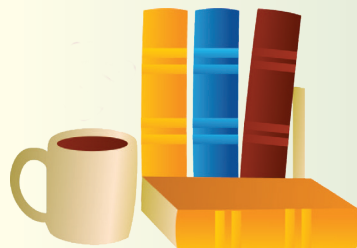
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Commission Meeting at
Midwest City Library

April 12
Library closed for Easter

April 16
Commission
Meeting at The
Village Library



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Chair Work: How to Project Vocal Confidence 19(m) 21(s)

Learn how to project vocal confidence. Speech coach Allison Shapira teaches tips and tricks for better projecting your voice, in this course adapted from the podcast *How to Be Awesome at Your Job*. A former opera singer and TEDx speaker, Allison teaches at the Harvard Kennedy School and offers keynote speeches, workshops, and executive coaching for Fortune 500 companies, government agencies, and nonprofits around the world. She explains how most people are breathing wrong—and what to do about it. Allison offers a three-step technique to correct your breathing and three tips for strengthening the power of your voice. She also describes the best way to prepare for a speech, bring it to life, and drive your point home.