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Osceola Library System History

Osceola County has a long history of library service. From early in the twentieth century until 1969, library services in Osceola County were provided by two small libraries, both operated independently by women's organizations. After 1969, the Orange County Library System provided library service to Osceola residents on a contractual basis.

On March 26, 1979, County Ordinance 79-2 was adopted to create the current Library District in order to provide comprehensive Library services to all County residents. The governing board of the Library District is the Board of County Commissioners. The Board levies the property taxes necessary to operate the Library District, adopts the annual budget, and approves debt issuances.

On April 1, 1989, the Osceola Library System began operations as an independent organization offering Library service to all residents of Osceola County.

The Osceola Library System opened with three small branches and a total book collection of 70,000 volumes. Today, the Library boasts six branches, a collection of over 275,000 volumes, and serves over 120,000 library customers.

How to sign up for a Library Card

Resident Library Card

Visit any Library branch to sign up for or renew a Library card. Library cards are valid system-wide at all Osceola Library System locations.

Library Card Attributes:
- 50 Checkouts
- 20 Holds
- Auto-Renewals* up to 3 times (*Excluding items that have hold requests)

Proof of address and a valid photo ID (imprinted with name) are required for sign-ups and renewals for all cards. For youth ages 15 and younger, a parent or guardian must be present to receive any of our offered Library cards.

For more information on your library card: (Click Here)

Resident Educator Card
(For Public, Private and Homeschool educators)

Educator Cards help get more resources to the Osceola students who need them, whether it be because their school does not have a library, or their school library does not have a healthy collection that supports their curriculum and needs. Visit any Library branch to sign up for or renew an Educator Card. Like personal Library Cards, Educator Cards are valid system-wide at all Osceola Library System locations and are valid for 2 years.

This card only extends to educators whose employment is based in Osceola County. An educator may have an Educator Card in addition to their personal Library Card.

For more information on Educator cards: (Click Here)

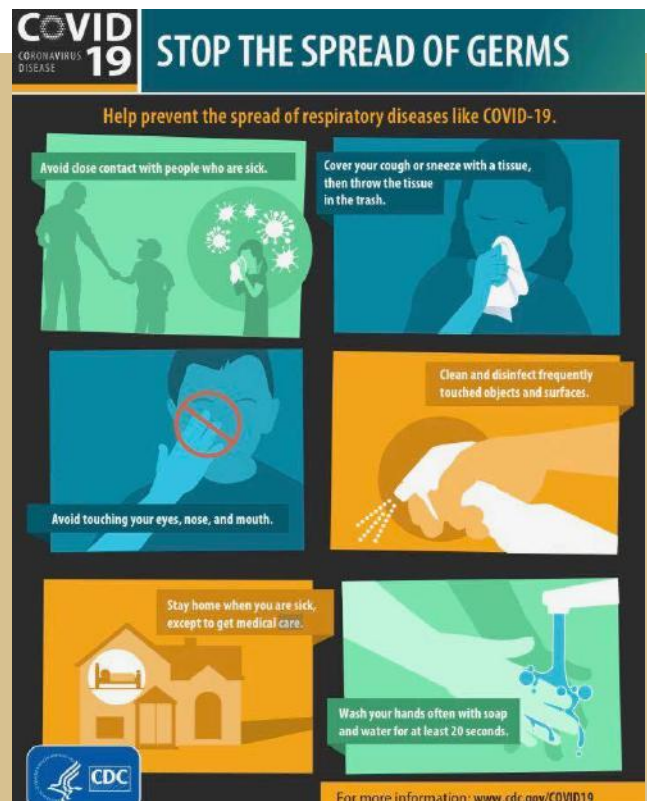## Be sure to apply for your library card in person!

Rules and Conduct

The Osceola Library System has adopted the Rules of Conduct to protect the right of individuals to access Library materials, services, and programs; to protect the right of Library staff to conduct Library business and pursue the goals of the Library's Mission without improper interference; to protect the right of customers and employees to enter and exit the Library's property without impediment, annoyance, or distraction from non-Library activities; and to protect Library materials and facilities from harm.
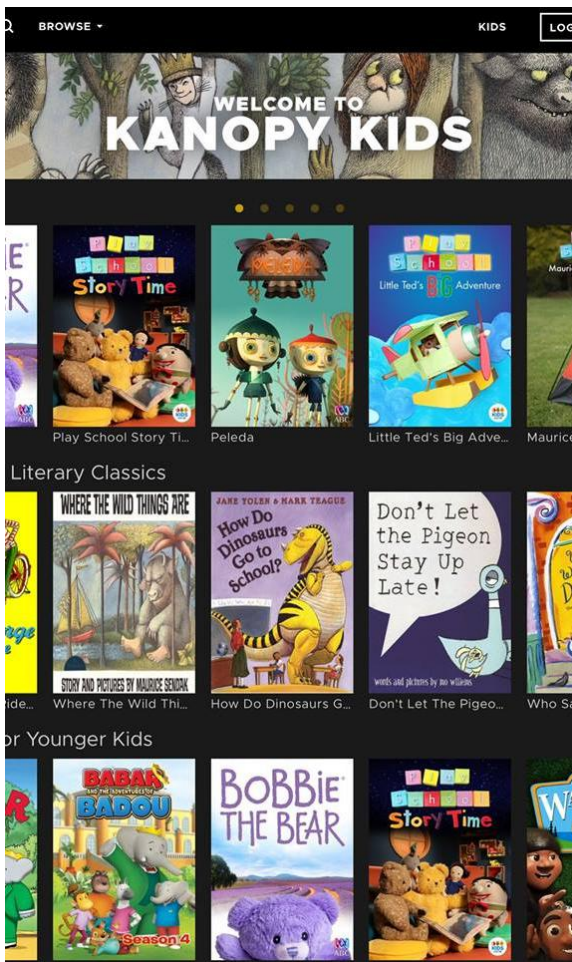
For full rules and conduct: (Click Here)

COVID-19 Guidelines

The Osceola Library System is welcoming patrons into the libraries for study, programs, meetings, computer access and more but to enjoy these services, patrons must wear a mask while inside the library and practice social distancing for the safety and well-being of everyone. Hand sanitizer is available and frequent handwashing is encouraged.

For full COVID-19 Information: (Click Here)

Electronic Resources

The Osceola Library System has tons of electronic resources to make the best of your library experience!

- Beanstack
- BiblioBoard
- CloudLibrary
- Flipster
- Gale
- Hoopla
- Kanopy

Electronic Resources cont.

- Lynda
- Mango Languages
- ODILO
- Pressbook
- Tumblebook (For iPad)

For full description of each electronic resources, (Click Here)

Benefits of your Library Card

Your Osceola Library Card provide you with more than just apps! Your card comes will give you access to tools beyond your imagination!

Arts: An array of information from both culinary and fine arts through Gale OneFile

Automotive and Business: Driving exams and how to create your own business

Language Learning: Mango Languages

Library Resource Guide: Resources for your information and cultural interest

Literature Database: Gale - Biography, Research, Elementary, Middle, High School available

Genealogy: Ancestry library edition, Civil War, Hertiage Queat and more!

Health and Wellness: Medical resources, medical journals, psychology and more!

Lynda: Business, Creative and Technology courses

Hobbies: Gardening, home improvement, hospitality and tourism

You can access all the above and so much more under the "Research" on the Osceolalibrary.org website! (Click Here)

Social Media

You can connect with the Osceola Library System in numerous ways!

- Facebook - @OsceolaLibrarySystem
- Instagram - @osceolalibrary
- Soundcloud - Osceola Library System
- Twitter - @OsceolaLibrary
- Tumblr - Osceola Library System
- YouTube - Osceola Library

Special Resources - Exclusive to OLS!

- 3D Printing
- Homeschool Resources
- Homework Help
- Hotspots
- Job Skills
- Recursos en Espanol
- Sunshine State Young Readers Award (SSYRA) collection
- TechCentral Makerspace

For links and access, visit the Osceola Library System website! (Click Here)

Library Classes and Girl Scouts Badges

The Osceola Library System is jam packed full of opportunities and experiences for your Girl Scout.
Oh...did we mention that all of these classes and resources are FREE!
All you need is an OLS to have access to badge earning opportunities and more!

Below are a list of some classes, resources and the badges that can be earned:

Ancestry Library Edition: Brownie: My Family Story Badge

Arts & Crafts YouTube: All level Artist Badges (Painting, Drawing, Comic Artist, Collage Artist)

STEAM events: All level STEAM Badges

WordPress / Web Design Classes through Lynda: Ambassador - Website Design Badge

The list above is just some of the many badge opportunities you can earn through your library experience!