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Library COVID-19 Update

March 17, 2020

Due to Governor Evers [Emergency Order #5](#) related to mass gatherings, the Library will be closing at 5:00 pm today, March 17, 2020.

March 16, 2020

ATTENTION: Beginning Wednesday March 18th at 6:00 pm, Friday Memorial Library will be closed to the public. Current plans are to reopen on April 6th.

During this time, all book drops will be closed. Patrons are encouraged to keep materials that are due until we reopen.

[Digital services](#) will still be available during this time. WiFi is always on at our building and is available in Glover Park. There is no password, just logon.

We are determining what services can be offered while the physical locations are closed, as well as what ways we can assist the broader community during this time.

Patrons are encouraged to check our website (www.newrichmondlibrary.org) and social media for updates.

March 13, 2020

Friday Memorial Library values our community and our overall well-being so is taking precautionary measures as directed by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). As part of these concerns, we are focusing on social distancing, reducing exposure, and enhanced sanitization.

While the health and safety of our community is our utmost concern, currently, the Library aims to remain open during regularly scheduled hours. However, we will be closed on Friday, March 20, 2020 for a thorough cleaning. Effective immediately, all library programs, events and outreach services are cancelled. This also includes any scheduled meetings being held in our meeting room.



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The following are other precautions that we are undertaking to ensure a safe environment:

- All toys have been removed from the children's area
- Headphones have been removed from computer stations
- Limited public computer stations and seating is available

We are asking our library patrons, staff and volunteers to follow the advice of health experts. Please stay home if you don't feel well or are concerned about exposure. During this time, there is no need to worry about overdue library materials. There will be no fines for materials returned March 13 – April 30. If you have concerns about being able to pick up your materials on hold, please contact the library for options.

If you are unable to visit the library, try our digital services, which are always available. Access our [digital magazines](#), [eBooks and eAudiobooks](#) from the comfort of your home. For assistance with these services, please contact us.

While times are in flux we will continue monitoring the situation and provide regular updates. Please call the library at 715-243-0431 or visit our website for the most current updates.

For more information about COVID-19, here are reliable resources with the latest news and recommendations:

- [Center for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)
- [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)
- [Wisconsin Department of Health Services \(DHS\)](#)