



Library News: September 2021

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During the Aug. 10 meeting of the Cincinnati & Hamilton County Public Library Board of Trustees, board members agreed to **end the practice of issuing fines for overdue items**. Fines for late items had previously been suspended at the start of the pandemic, and then this practice was later extended through 2020 by the Library Board of Trustees. This latest decision makes the suspension of late fines permanent, with a few important changes customers need to know about. This change goes into effect Sept. 26, 2021.

Details about borrowing Library materials can be found in our [online FAQ](#), but some key points are:

- Reminders to customers that their item is overdue are sent by phone, text, or email at five days and 12 days overdue.
- At 30 days overdue, customers receive a bill for items that have not been returned and have been classified as “lost.” Previously, customers did not receive a bill until an item was overdue for 45 days.
- The Library locks a customer’s account if any item is 12 days overdue, meaning no additional print items can be checked out until either the overdue item is returned or the customer has paid the replacement fee for it.
- Once unpaid replacement fees reach \$50 and remain at \$50 or above for 30 days or longer, customers are referred to a collection agency.

These changes do not apply to library cards that have never had late fees associated with them, such as Child-Only, Teen-Only, Adult-Only, Educator, and Book Club cards.

We are looking for a Homework Helper at the St. Bernard Branch Library.

Position Summary: This position is responsible for working with youth to provide homework support through the Homework Help Program, as well as engaging youth in a variety of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities during non-academic periods (winter break, summer, etc.) to help prevent academic loss.

[To view the rest of Job Description Click Here](#)

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