

Getting a Seattle Public Library Card

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Benefits of getting a Seattle public library card



- Access to books/forms of media
- Variety of free online/physical resources
- Free classes available
- Free passes to local museums

How to get a Card



Customizable designs

Apply for a card



Online



In person/front desk

The Application

- Full name
- Address
- Phone number
- Email

❖ Available in 5 languages



Online Application

1. Go to <https://www.spl.org/using-the-library/get-started/get-started-with-a-library-card/library-card-application>

2. Scroll down to the part of the page that says "Library Card Application"



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Library Card Application

First Name *

Middle Name

Last Name *

Home Address *

Apt Number

City *

State *

Zip Code *

Home Phone Number *

3. Fill in full name



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Library Card Application

First Name *

John

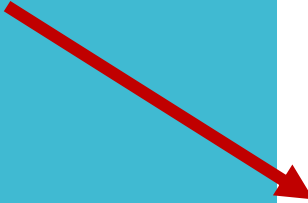
Middle Name

Jane

Last Name *

Doe

4. Fill in address
(street, apt
number, city, state,
zip code)



Library Card Application

First Name *

Middle Name

Last Name *

Home Address *

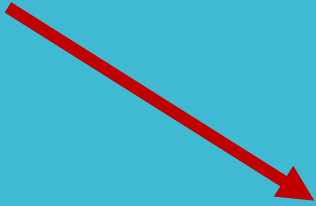
Apt Number

City *

State *

Zip Code *

5. Fill in phone number and date of birth



Library Card Application

First Name *

Middle Name

Last Name *

Home Address *

Apt Number

City *

State *

Zip Code *

Home Phone Number *

Date of Birth *

6. Create a 4 digit PIN number (for account security)

- Make sure to write down/save your PIN!

Please choose a four-digit PIN to protect the security of your Libr

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How do you want to be notified about your account? *

7. Select how you want to receive your notifications, and select language of choice

- TeleCirc option – sends text notifications to your phone

How do you want to be notified about your account? *

Email (Available in 5 languages)

Email Address *

TeleCirc (The Library's Telephone Circulation System)

Choose Language

English

Would you like to receive periodic emails about Library news, special events and activities from the Library and the Foundation? *

Yes

No

8. Scroll to bottom, click agree and submit

I agree to the Terms of Use: Parents or guardians are responsible for monitoring the reading, listening and 12 and under.

I assume full responsibility for the use of this card and all charges associated with its use. I verify that the information is correct.

I agree *

Submit

* Required

9. Your account confirmation number will be displayed on the screen

- Make sure to write it down/ save it!


Library Card Confirmation

Thank you. Your Library Card Application is complete.

Here is your confirmation number: XXXXXXXXXXXXX-X

On this page: [How to set up your account](#) | [Pick up your card](#) | [Using your Library card](#) | [Library card lost or stolen?](#)

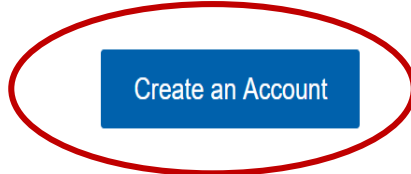
10. Scroll down the page and click create an account



How to set up your account

You can create an account using your confirmation number and PIN. Enter your confirmation number under "Username or Barcode," and enter the PIN you created on your card application.

You can [browse the catalog](#) and place up to five items on hold before you pick up your Library card.



Create an Account

- Or go directly to the link
https://seattle.bibliocommons.com/user/login?destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.spl.org%2Fusing-the-library%2Fget-started%2Fget-started-with-a-library-card%2FLibrary-card-application%2FLibrary-card-app-confirmation%3Fbarcode%3D10001476058-1%26token%3Dstandard_app

Log In

Username or Barcode:

PIN:

[Forgot your PIN?](#)

Remember me on this device

Log In

Get a Card



A. Enter account confirmation number from earlier under "Username or Barcode"

Log In

Username or Barcode:

PIN:



[Forgot your PIN?](#)

Remember me on this device

Log In

[Get a Card](#)

B. Enter the 4-digit PIN number you created in the card application

My Account Setup

Verify your information


The library has the following information on file for this card.

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Date of Birth

i You will receive reminders about your borrowing activity. The Library and its partners will not send unsolicited email using the information provided here. [More](#) 

i Your birth date is used to determine if you are a minor. It is never made public.

[See any incorrect information?](#)

Continue →

C. Make sure all account information is correct and click continue



My Account Setup

Create a username to complete your account setup

All fields are required

Create a Username

i Usernames can contain letters, numbers and underscores. You can use your username to sign in and to make community contributions. [More](#)

Terms and Conditions

I accept the following terms:

[BiblioCommons Terms of Use](#)

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[Complete Account Setup](#)

D. Create a username, accept terms and conditions, and click complete

11. Go to any branch to complete registration and pick up your library card



12. Present ID and proof of address

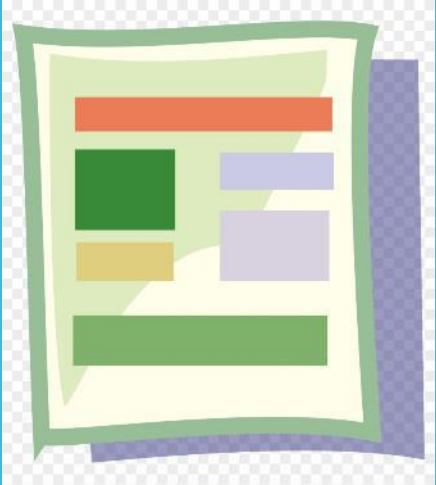


Acceptable Forms of ID



- Washington State driver's license
- Washington State ID card (issued by Department of Licensing)
- Out of state driver's license or state ID
- Foreign driver's license
- United States or foreign passport
- Permanent Resident Card/Green Card
- Employee ID card or badge
- Military or Merchant Marine ID
- Credit or debit card, with signature
- School ID card
- Voter registration card
- Birth certificate (original or certified copy)
- Vehicle registration
- Organization membership card with pre-printed name and photo or signature
- Bus pass (with photo)
- Emergency or community shelter ID

Proof of Address



- Driver's license or State ID
- Paycheck
- Receipt
- Utility bill
- Current mail
- Personal check
- Voter registration Card
- Vehicle registration
- Lease or rental agreement

In Person Application

1. Go to any library branch
2. Bring ID and proof of address
3. Complete and submit to front desk
 - Similar to the online app
 - Same steps and required information







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Borrowing









Physical Items

	Format	Checkout time	Limit (at one time)
	Books	3 weeks	50
	CDs	3 weeks	50
	DVDs	2 weeks	50
	Magazines/News papers	3 weeks	50
	Peak pick books (Popular/Bestselling books)	2 weeks	50
	Wi-Fi hotspots	2 weeks	50

Borrowing



Digital Items

	Format	Checkout time	Limit
	Flipster magazines (Borrow from Flipster App)	3-7 days	100-500
	Freegal Music (Borrow through Freegal App)	No due date	5 songs/week, 3 hours/day streaming
	Hoopla video (streaming service)	72 hours	15 checkouts/month
	Hoopla music (streaming service)	7 days	15 checkouts/month
	Kanopy video (stream service for classic movies)	No due date	5 per month
	Overdrive ebooks/audiobook (Borrow through the Overdrive app)	3 weeks	25 checkouts and holds

Resources



Online Research Databases



- Encyclopedias, articles, newspapers, and journals available for all ages
- Databases for specific research categories
 - ProQuest
 - Art/History
 - Newspaper collections

Online Research Database



- Go to <https://www.spl.org/online-resources/student-research>
- All resources and descriptions located underneath circled section

Student Research

Search encyclopedias, articles, newspapers and databases to find the information you need for student research projects. We have free resources for students of any age or grade level. For more help with your school projects, see our [Student Success](#) program.

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Access Video lets you watch video on demand from any computer or tablet, with no app or software to download. The Access Video collection includes online shows and documentaries from channels like PBS, BBC, History Channel, A&E and more.

[AP Stylebook Online](#)

This online version of the official Associated Press Stylebook is searchable, customizable and updated regularly. It offers writing guidelines for spelling, usage, punctuation and style.

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Find articles and research from more than 750 journals that cover art, architecture, design, costume, crafts and more. This database also includes more than 63,000 images.

Free Adult Classes



- Technology Skill Classes
- English Classes
- ESOL classes
- Talk Time
- Adult tutoring sessions

English classes



- Learning English skills for work, daily life, conversation
- Resources available
 - In person classes
 - Tutoring
 - Extra online practice

Available Branches:

- Beginner English
 - Northgate, South Park, Central
- Intermediate English
 - South Park, Beacon Hill, Central

ESOL classes (English for speakers of other languages)



- English lessons for people who don't have English as their first language
- 8-10 week long courses
- Prepares for the citizenship exam

Talk Time program



- Conversation groups for practicing and studying English
- Extra practice for non-native English speakers
- Beginner to Advanced groups

Available Branches:

- [Central](#), [Beacon Hill](#), [Fremont](#), [Lake City](#)

Adult Tutoring Sessions



- Drop in tutoring
- Covers a large variety of core subjects including math, English, and others (at a basic/general level)
- Assistance with life skills and job readiness
- Extra materials provided during sessions

Available branches:

- Broadview - Sat
- Rainier - Thurs
- Central – Mon, Tues, Wed

Getting started with classes



- Classes are mostly drop-in, first come first serve
- Online class schedule will mention start and end dates for each specific program
- Registration is completed after attending the first class session
 - Some classes strictly require registration in order to attend

Class schedules

- Provided on the adult learning page (<https://www.spl.org/programs-and-services/learning/basic-skills>)

Upcoming Basic Skills Events

[View Basic Skills Calendar](#)



Adults, ESOL
**Ready to Work Class -
English, Computer &
Job Skills**

Rainier Beach Branch
Tuesday, May 21, 2019,
10:15 a.m. – 1 p.m.



Adults, ESOL
**Intermediate English
Class - For Immigrants
and Refugees**

Central Library
Tuesday, May 21, 2019,
10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.



Adults, ESOL
**Adult Education
Tutoring**

Central Library
Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 4:30 –
6:30 p.m.



Adults, ESOL
Beginner English Class

Central Library
Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 5:30 –
7:30 p.m.

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Talk Time English Conversation Class

Monday, May 20, 2019, 4 – 6 p.m.



Where	Fremont Branch
Room	Meeting Room
Location	
Audience	Adults, ESOL
Language	Русский, 中文, አማርኛ, English, Español, Soomaali, Tiếng Việt
Talk Time	Gratis, prácticas de conversación en inglés. Todos los niveles. Inscripción no necesaria
Summary	免費英文對話練習班.所有程度.不需要報名. Thực hành đàm thoại tiếng Anh miễn phí. Tất cả các trình độ. Không cần đăng ký.
Talk Time Description	This program is for all ability levels. Participants will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis.
Notes	Library events and programs are free and everyone is welcome. Registration is not required. Offered in partnership with Literacy Source.
Translation	Come to a free English conversation class to practice speaking English.
More ESL Programs	www.spl.org...
Contact Phone	206-684-4084
Have a question?	Ask Us
Contact Info	Fremont Branch
Room Capacity	Space is limited at library events. Please come early to make sure you get a seat. Due to the fire code, we can't exceed the maximum capacity for our rooms.

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Class schedules can be sorted based on Month/Date, Location, and Event type

Click on classes to get specific details