

Espanola Public Library  
Bibliothèque publique



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## **Media Release Library Curbside Pick-Up Service**

In its continuing efforts to serve residents while also following provincial directives and precautionary measures to help combat the spread of the Covid-19 virus, Espanola Public Library will begin curbside pick-up service on Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Pick-up will be available outside the Library at 245 Avery Drive during the hours noted below, by appointment only.

To reserve library materials please visit the Library's catalogue at <https://espanola.ca/library> and place a hold on the materials you would like or call 705-869-2940 to speak to a staff member during the "phone requests" hours noted below.

Once your items are available the Library will contact you to set up an appointment for pick-up. Library hours beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> will be as follows until further notice:

	Phone Requests	Pick-up times
Monday	10 am to 1 pm	1 pm to 4 pm
Tuesday	10 am to 1 pm	1 pm to 4 pm
Thursday	10 am to 1 pm	1 pm to 4 pm
Friday	10 am to 1 pm	1 pm to 4 pm

If you are unwell, we ask that you cancel your appointment and not return your books for a minimum two-week period.

The library will waive all late fines during the course of the pandemic, dating back to the date of closure in March 2020.

Items are to be returned only through the Library's Book Return slot until further notice.

If you require a library card you can request one through our online form on our Facebook page, or via email to [library@espanola.ca](mailto:library@espanola.ca). Staff will get back to you as soon as possible. You must be a resident of Espanola or a contracting community in order to receive a free card. Contracting Communities include Nairn & Hyman, Baldwin and Rainbow Country Local Services Board.

In addition to the curbside pick-up service, the Library continues to offer a number of

online resources including eBooks and downloadable audiobooks, and research databases.

Please note that the Library remains closed to the public. The following services continue to be suspended until further notice:

- Public computers and internet access, with the exception of limited Wi-Fi
- Public Washrooms
- Library programming, clubs and events – other than virtual
- Interlibrary loans (loans from other libraries in Ontario)
- Outreach - Visiting Library Service (for homebound residents)
- Room rentals

Ontario's public libraries are actively monitoring the evolving situation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. Public libraries are working closely with local municipalities, public health authorities and Ontario's library services agencies to make timely, responsible decisions about programming, services and access. For up-to-date information on curbside pick-up service and other library services please consult the Library's Facebook page.

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