



## **OREGON PUBLIC LIBRARY COVID-19 POLICY**

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### **Purpose**

The Oregon Public Library is open with the goal of providing services in a safe and effective manner.

This is a temporary policy to ensure safety that supersedes previously approved Library Board policies.

Failure to follow these guidelines may result in an individual being denied entry to the library or being asked to leave the library premises.

### **COVID-19 Guidelines**

- **Masks are recommended for everyone (but not required).**
  - If you do not have a mask but would like one for your visit, contact the library and one will be provided for you.
  - Curbside pickup is available for those preferring not to come into the library building for any reason.
  - Masks may be required for attendance at library programs held at other locations. This will be determined by the rules of the hosting location and any program partners.
- **Physical distancing is encouraged.** Physical distancing of a minimum of six feet is encouraged between people of different households while visiting the library, except in cases where physical distancing is not feasible.
  - Staff assistance may be provided in a manner that maintains physical distancing.
- **Stay home if you are sick.** If you or someone in your household has tested positive for COVID-19 or are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, you should not enter the library.
- **Capacity is limited.** The library may limit the number of people in the building at one time. You may be asked to wait to enter the building or to finish your visit to maintain the set capacity.

- **Visit length may be limited.** If necessary, the library may ask patrons to limit the duration of their visit when staff are instructed to do so by the Library Director.
- **Children Under 14:** Children under 14 years of age may be asked to be accompanied by a supervising adult, if they are unable to follow guidelines noted above while in the library.
- **Reasonable Precautions:** The library is taking reasonable precautions to protect our patrons and staff. However, we cannot guarantee that the library is a germ-free or virus-free environment. It is your responsibility to decide if the library is a safe place for you and your family.
- **Limited Services and Spaces:** The library reserves the right to limit available services and to close areas of the building to the public. Patrons are not allowed to enter non-public areas of the Library without permission.

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