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Library Reopening to the Public

Natchitoches, LA, May 22, 2020 – The Natchitoches Parish Library’s (NPL) Main Branch in Natchitoches and Northeast Branch (NEB) in Campti will be reopening to the public, with limited access, effective Tuesday, May 26. The Main Branch will be open 9 AM to 6 PM, Monday through Friday, and Saturday, 10 AM to 2 PM. The NEB will be open Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 6 PM, and Saturday, 10 AM to 2 PM. COVID-19 safety measures will limit the number of patrons allowed to 20 at the NPL and 4 at the NEB at a time. Visitors are asked to quickly browse and checkout, limiting their time within the building to 30 minutes. Visitors are asked to observe vulnerable population service hours for the first hour of operation of each library location Monday to Friday. Curbside service will also remain available throughout this time.

Masks will be required for those age 6 or older. For the safety of patrons and staff, there are 6-foot demarcations at all service desks, along with sneeze-shields. Public lounge furniture will not be available during this time. Children 15 and younger will not be allowed into the library without an adult over the age of 18. The children’s computer lab will remain closed and the adult computer lab will have limited terminals available, with time-limited to 30 minutes. Portable Wi-Fi-devices will again be offered for checkout, however, laptop checkout will remain for parking-lot use only.

To make a phone request for pickup, patrons should call the Main Branch at 318-238-9224 and the NEB at 318-476-3280 or email info@natlib.org. Patrons must include their library card number, address, and date of birth with any request, to verify their identity. Available items will be pulled and checked out and be available for pick up at the requested library’s parking lot entrance. Patrons are asked to call the appropriate number above for a staff member to bring out his or her materials, open their trunk or passenger door, and then return to their vehicle to minimize interaction for everyone’s safety.

Follow the NPL on Facebook and Instagram for more updates on services available from home and on-the-go!

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About the Natchitoches Parish Library

Knowledge. Connection. Community. The Natchitoches Parish Library serves the public and community through its competent and friendly staff by providing services and programs aimed at meeting the informational, recreational, and educational needs of our patrons. We seek to provide a beneficial and usable collection of information and activities to connect Natchitoches Parish residents to the world.