

# ASHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY UPDATE: APRIL 2021

Ashland Public Library would like to thank everyone for their patience as we have navigated the changes put in place by the State of Ohio along with the uncertainty of the current circumstances. We are pleased to announce that browsing the library shelves will resume on April 19, 2021!

The library will continue to sanitize all items upon checking them in. Staff will also be periodically sanitizing sitting areas and public computers after each use. Masks will still be required for those inside the library along with social distancing. The safety and health of our library patrons and staff is the number one priority with this shift.

## ***New Limited Hours:***

Monday - Friday: 9am - 6pm

Saturday: 9am - 4:30pm

Sunday: CLOSED

***Effective 6pm July 23, 2020 Face Masks / Face Coverings will be required for all patrons inside the building. This comes after a mandate put in place by Governor Mike Dewine.***

## HOLDS

Patrons can now browse for materials. However, you can still place holds for items using our online catalog.

To Place items on hold:

- Use the Online Catalog found [here](#)
- Email [publicservices@ashland.lib.oh.us](mailto:publicservices@ashland.lib.oh.us)
- Call 419-289-8188

## PICKUP

When a hold is available for pickup you will receive your usual notification letting you know your item is available. Please stop by the library and ask a staff member to grab your holds or you may pick them up yourself. If you do not wish to enter the library please call us 419-289-8188 to speak with a staff member who can bring your items out to your vehicle.

## RETURNS

Items can either be returned at the outside book drop or you may bring them inside the building to be placed in a designated area while the library is open. You may also use the new drive up book drop located in the library parking lot across from Heyl Funeral Home.

## PUBLIC COMPUTERS

The library has seven (7) public computers available for use. They are available in 30 minute sessions with a maximum of two (2) consecutive sessions per day based on availability.

## MEETING ROOMS

Meeting Rooms are currently unavailable for use. Please note that any previously scheduled meetings have been canceled in our calendar.

## LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Library programs such as Storytimes, have transitioned to an online format. Please visit our Facebook page @AshlandPublicLibraryOhio or YouTube channel to watch program videos for all age groups. Visit our calendar for all Upcoming Events.



## UNAVAILABLE ITEMS

As previously stated in past releases, certain items are unavailable for checkout during this period.

- Board Games

*Launchpads and Toys are now available for checkout.*



## BOOKMOBILE & OUTREACH

Bookmobile and Outreach will have Community Stops available starting on April 28, 2021. For a full list of stops visit our Events Calendar.



## FRIENDS DONATIONS

During this time our Friends of the Ashland Public Library are not accepting material donations. To view upcoming sale dates, visit our website.

## GUIDELINES FOR VISITING THE LIBRARY

If you visit the library during this period we kindly ask you to:

- Stay at home if you feel unwell
- Practice safe Social Distancing upon entering the library
- Be courteous to other library patrons
- Wear a face mask/covering
- Follow all information given to you upon entering

*If you have any questions or concerns please call us at:  
419-289-8188*

