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Library Resources for Teachers and Students

- **Digital Library cards**: We are currently issuing temporary digital library cards to customers.
 - [Fill out the library card application form](#) and applicants will be emailed a library barcode that can be used with any of our databases and resources.
 - View our quick video tutorial for How to Sign up for a Digital Library card [here](#). (A valid email address is necessary.)
 - **What you need to Know**: We will make it possible for teachers to pick up the cards from the Jackson Children's Department to hand out to students in class or at the end of the year. If you would like to take advantage of this process, please see the additional **attached document “How to Apply for Online Library card for Jackson Students”** for more detailed instructions

- **Educator Cards**: We now have educator cards available for teachers in Ocean County.
 - Educator Cardholders are able to:
 - Borrow up to 50 items
 - Request up to 50 items
 - Check out books, audiobooks, and non-fiction DVDs for a loan period of 40 days
 - Check out Feature Films (DVD and Blu-ray) for a loan period of 7 days
 - Access OCL's hundreds of [electronic resource databases](#)
 - Download and stream [Digital Materials](#): eBooks, eMagazines, audiobooks, newspapers, streaming video, and music
 - [Apply for Educator card](#): You can either print and bring this form into the Jackson branch or print, scan and email the form to us (Note: The applicant must provide a valid school ID for a Pre-K – 12 school as well as one (1) of the following: valid employment contract OR letter of request on school letterhead.)
 - **Educator cards are valid through June 30th of the current school year, if you already received a card last year you will need to renew for the current school year.** To renew privileges, present the same documentation provided for initial registration.

- **Digital Materials**: we have a great selection of digital materials available from several platforms—including audiobooks, eBooks (even graphic novels!), magazines, and more that all can be accessed for free with a library card.
 - [Help page for frequently asked questions](#) for set up and getting started.
 - Here are specific links to three sources that we have found particularly helpful for kids and feature a wide selection of children's materials:
 - [Overdrive/Libby](#): And [a link to a short video about this resource](#)
 - [Hoopla](#)
 - [Tumblebooks](#)
- **Databases**: We have a wide selection of databases specifically for kids that explore a wide range of subjects including history, science, and educational videos. We have also just launched four new Scholastic databases that we're very excited about.

(You can access all of these databases from home/school with your library card number)

- [Scholastic BookFlix](#) pairs classic video storybooks with related nonfiction eBooks for grades pre-K-3.
 - [Scholastic ScienceFlix](#) offers the latest STEM concepts and the Next Generation Science Standards for grades 4-9.
 - [Scholastic Teachables](#) is an online database of tens of thousands of searchable and printable, ready-to-use educational materials for educators and parents.
 - [Scholastic TrueFlix](#) offers nonfiction content to supplement social studies and science learning for grades 3-6.
- ***In class instruction/Virtual booktalks***: Currently, our team here at Jackson is working on creating some recordings of how to access our digital materials to be used in class. We are also putting together some fun booktalks that could be shared with a classroom that would highlight some new and exciting books. We are hoping to get this rolling by next month and we would be happy to share our product with you!