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Library Card Sign-Up Encourages Lifelong Learning

The “Incredible” Card That Grows With You

As students prepare to head back to school, there is one essential school supply item that requires no shopping and is completely free – a library card. This September and October, the 38 Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries are joining the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide for a **Library Card Sign-Up** initiative to encourage parents, caregivers, students, and families to obtain a free library card that will save them money while reaping rewards in academic achievement and lifelong learning.

Whether it's providing free access to homework help, online resources or books in print and digital formats, a library card is one of the most cost-effective back-to-school supplies. The local public libraries also offer free downloads, 24/7 music streaming and health, wellness and job fairs. Library services and resources can be used by all.

“Throughout the school year, our libraries offer a variety of free programs that foster a love of reading, learning, creating and exploring,” said Library System Director Mary Jean Jakubowski. “From story hours that expose toddlers and preschoolers to the joy of reading to free MakerSpace programs that spark creativity with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to literacy, leadership and skill building clubs for teens, as well as business, career, legal and tax resources for adults, the Library grows with you and has something for everyone!”

The Library System website www.BuffaloLib.org provides around-the-clock easy access to information, resources and activities for students of all ages, caregivers, homeschoolers, and teachers including learning guides, practice tests, age-appropriate book recommendations, Common Core updates, and popular databases. Erie County residents, or those who work or go to school in Erie County, can apply for a free library card by bringing valid identification and proof of address to any of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library branches or the *Library on Wheels* Bookmobile. Those under the age of 17 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian with valid ID. Online eLibrary cards are also available for those who just want to use online resources. Details are here: <https://www.buffalolib.org/content/onlineapp>. For more information about how to sign up for a library card, call 716-858-8900 or visit www.BuffaloLib.org. To see Buffalo & Erie County Public Library locations and open hours, click here: <https://www.buffalolib.org/content/open-today>.

This year, illustrations from the popular Disney movies *The Incredibles* are Library Card Sign-up honorary national chairs, helping promote the value of a library card and bringing attention to the many ways libraries transform lives and communities through education.

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