

JUNE 29- OPEN FOR CURBSIDE PICK UP

The Library Is Here For You

2020 came in like a lion and makes no promises of leaving like a lamb. The year began much like they all do, with the cool gray January skies. But on March 17, our doors closed. In less than 24 hours, things changed so much that we had no idea what library service would look like.

Libraries across our library system, the state, and the country began adapting. We started offering virtual storytime programs, Zoom programs, video crafts, virtual book clubs, and more. As a system, we poured thousands of additional dollars into digital collection to help meet demands for e-books and audiobooks.

The pandemic has left us all changed, and it has left library service changed. Our focus is on how we can provide quality service, while keeping staff, patrons and the community safe. Due to this, library services will look different in the next couple of months.

Curbside pick up is a big change. You can call, email or place holds via STARCat for pick up beginning June 29. Full details are on our website at www.alfredboxofbookslibrary.org.

Summer reading program registration begins June 29. All programs will be virtual. Details and information are available on our website.

By mid-July our goal is to be allowing patrons into the building for public computer use. We recognize that many community members do not have access to internet services, and providing access to our public computers is a top priority to us.

We're hoping to be allow patrons into the building by the end of July. Due to the space constraints of our building, social distancing is difficult, so face coverings will be required and we will have to limit the number of people in the building at anytime.

Things change so quickly, and we are continually revising our plans. Our Re-Opening Plan is available on our website. It is updated as changes are made at local and state levels.

We're still here for you. Reach out to us at 607-587-9290, via email alfred@stls.org or our Facebook page. Visit our website for updates: www.alfredboxofbookslibrary.org



2019 At A Glance

Total Circulation.....	15,263
Total Holdings.....	34,672
Items Added.....	4,143
Total Programs.....	289
Program Attendance.....	3,209
Summer Reading	
Registrations.....	119
Early Literacy Programs.....	91
Early Literacy	
Attendance.....	1218
Tech Services (1:1	
appointments).....	62
Visits to Website.....	2,824
Public Computer Use.....	912
WiFi Usage.....	2,008
Annual Visits to Library...	8,352
Reference Questions.....	2,424
Holds Received.....	3,460
Holds Filled.....	3,774