

No Library services available during 10-day closure

All libraries and all online services will be closed from 2 p.m. Thursday, December 23 through Sunday, January 2. During this time:

No materials will be due and no fines will accrue. No holds (requested books and materials) will expire during the 10 closed days; the hold period will be extended to cover the closure days.

No book drops will be open. Do not leave books and materials outside Library locations during the closure. You will be responsible for theft, loss, or damage to materials left outside Library buildings. There is no need to return materials during the closure because no materials will be due and no fines will accrue.

No access to the online catalog. You will not be able to search the catalog, place holds on materials, or check your Library account. No staff members will be working to maintain the systems or to process the thousands of books and materials that customers would be putting on hold.

No access to the website. None of the Library's other online information resources will be available, such as databases and other research tools, downloadable audio books, and links to other sites. No staff members will be working to maintain and troubleshoot problems on the site or to respond to e-mails or other communication.

No wireless Internet access will be available outside the library buildings.

No telephone service.

No programs or events in library meeting rooms.

No outgoing Telecirc or e-mail messages regarding overdue items or holds will go out. You will be able to call Telecirc (the Library's automated notification system) to check on the status of your account.

No interlibrary loan or SuperSearch services will be available.

No mail will be received during the closure. The U.S. Post Office will hold all mail until the Library reopens.

No book donations. We appreciate everyone's support for our Friends of the Library book sales and bookstores, but no volunteers will collect donations left for local Friends groups during the closure. Please drop off donations on or after January 3.

Libraries reopen Tuesday, January 3, 2012