

Library Port Card

Thousands of Educational Resources for Students!

Duluth Public Schools are excited to announce a partnership with the Duluth Public Library that will expand access to educational resources for students at school, and make it easier for all students to check out materials from their local public library without risk of fines. This card is intended for student use only.

This program is called the Library Port Card Program!

As part of the program, the Duluth Public Schools will share limited student information with the Duluth Public Library, including your child's name, address, school email address and school identification number. We will **not** share educational data with the Duluth Public Library such as academic reports. The Duluth Public Library will use that information to create a unique "virtual library card" ID number for your student that will provide two major benefits.

At School: Students will use their Port Card ID number to access all the online resources of our Duluth Public Library including research databases, eBooks, and more. This will help expand research and learning supports beyond what the Duluth Public Schools currently provide. Please note that this will grant access to all library materials accessed in this way. There is not a system to limit elementary students to access elementary age appropriate materials.

Outside of School: Students can use their Port Card ID number at any of the Duluth Public Library locations to check out up to five items, print and online, including ebooks and audiobooks. Materials that are checked out using the Port Card ID won't accrue late fines or replacement fees like a typical library card, though late or lost materials could lower the number of materials your child can check out.

Fresh Start: When students have 5 unreturned items and can't use their card anymore, they can participate in the Fresh Start program. Students can earn a fresh start with their Library Port Card by completing activities such as attending a library program, doing homework, or reading. Activities must be completed in the library and are only applicable for materials checked out on Library Port accounts. More details are available upon request at Youth Services or branch library desks.

Please contact your school library media specialist or the Duluth Public Library youth services desk if you have questions.

Parents/Guardians who would request to deny access to this program may complete this form and return it to their school library media specialist.

I have read the above information and request to deny my child access to the Port Card program through the Duluth Public Library.

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Student ID (lunch number): _____ School _____

Today's Date: _____

