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Hunterdon County Library Re-opens With Modified Schedule And Services Effective July 6th

Hunterdon Freeholder Board member Zach T. Rich has announced the re-opening of the Hunterdon County Main and North County Branch Libraries, starting July 6th, with a modified schedule and services for patrons, as directed by the state's Administrative Order 2020-15.

Freeholder Rich, Liaison to the Library Commission, said, "We have heard great demand from the public for the library to re-open. And while the library has provided non-contact materials pickup over the past few weeks, it remains an important community resource and the opening of its doors, even with limitations, is most welcome."

Once open, the library will be limited to 25% of capacity, have extra cleaning rotations, and plexiglass barriers. Face coverings are also required for all staff and library users, as well as appropriate social distancing per the state's Administrative Order.

James Keebler, Hunterdon County Library Director said, "It is important to all of us at Hunterdon County Library that we re-open in a way that maintains a safe and healthy environment for our staff and our library users. We appreciate your patience, and we look forward to this next phase in our plan to resume full services at the library."

Return items must be returned to the outdoor book drops and will remain in quarantine for 96 hours. Meeting rooms are not available in the current phase and donations of magazines and newspapers are still prohibited. Computer usage is by reservation only and limited to one hour per day, per person.

Rich noted, "The library is a place where books and movies are rented, where children will be able to stay engaged and entertained and where computer access is available for individuals without internet at home. We are grateful to the library staff for their hard work and organization which have allowed services to continue during the shutdown and to now resume, giving back some normalcy to county residents."

For more information, call the library at 908-788-1434 or email reference@hclibrary.us.

You can also watch a video about curbside pickup:

<https://www.facebook.com/HunterdonCountyLibrary/videos/1164753173902301/>



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Modified Schedule:

- Monday 9am to 2pm
- Tuesday 9am to 7pm
- Wednesday 9am to 7pm
- Thursday 9am to 7pm
- Friday 9am to 2pm
- Saturday 9am to 2pm

For additional information about the summer reading club, the fines and fee policy or virtual access, visit the library's website: <http://www.hclibrary.us/>.