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## Introducing The Library PASS

**Portage, Michigan:** The Portage District Library is pleased to Introduce The Library PASS, a partnership between Portage Public Schools and the Portage District Library. The Library PASS (Portage Access for Student Success) was created to support student education by giving every Portage Public School student easy access to the Portage District Library's physical and digital resources.

**All students enrolled at the Portage Public Schools can use their Student ID number as a library card number to check out materials, use inter-library loan, and access the PDL Digital Library anytime, anywhere.**

Many students in Portage still face barriers when it comes to attaining that all-important community passport: a library card. At a time when they have access to an overwhelming amount of content on the Internet, being connected to real people, reliable information, and safe experiences at their local library is critical.

### How does The Library PASS Work?

Upon enrollment in Portage Public Schools, students are automatically registered for a Library PASS membership, allowing them to access physical and digital materials for schoolwork, recreation, and personal growth. The Library PASS enables student use of PDL resources such as public computers, Rosetta Stone language learning software, ScholasticGO educational support, OverDrive and Hoopla e-book and streaming services, and much more. Students may also borrow materials from libraries across Michigan through the MeL (Michigan Electronic Library) system.

At the Portage District Library, we strive to optimize access to resources, be a safe and inclusive destination for all, and be a leader in strengthening our community. At a time when our young people need reliable access and safety more than ever, we are so pleased to be able to offer them our full support.

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