Borrowing Privileges – Registration Requirements

The Deer Creek District Library is a tax-supported public library. This means that people residing within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library pay taxes to support the library. Those people who live within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library need pay no additional fee to be eligible to receive their first library card. Library cards are renewed every 3 years without additional fees, provided the library cardholder continues to reside within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library and is a patron in good standing. There is a fee of $3.00 to replace the first damaged, destroyed, lost or stolen library card and a fee of $5.00 to replace any cards thereafter.

As a resident cardholder, the borrower identified on the valid borrower’s card may physically take his or her library card to another library to borrow materials. Those materials are the responsibility of the individual who borrows them, and are subject to all of the fines, rules, and regulations of the lending library. Libraries may limit the borrowing privileges of reciprocal borrowers, and it is best to establish local rules and procedures before making your selections.

Individuals residing beyond the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library and not within the boundaries of another public library, and owning no property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library, may purchase a non-resident fee card for the price of $160. This fee entitles the entire family to use the Deer Creek District Library, as well as other libraries with the Library System.

If you reside beyond the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library, but own property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library, upon
presentation of a tax bill bearing your name, you may have one library card for the exclusive use of the individual whose name appears on its face without additional payment as is the case with people who reside within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Deer Creek District Library.

Adults wishing to register for a borrower's card, renew an expired borrower's card, or replace a lost, stolen, damaged, or destroyed borrower's card at the Deer Creek District Library must bring with them identification, which bears their name address. These forms of identification include, but are not limited to, driver's license, utility bills, mail, or voter's registration card.

Cards will be given to children at age 6. Children under the age of 18 must have parent's signature on any initial application for a library card. The application must be completed with both the child and adult present in the library. Children under the age of 16 may use the proof of residency provided by their parent. Children 18 and over choose to provide their own proof of residency, or use that of their parent.

**Borrowing Privileges – Eligibility to Borrow**

Individuals presenting valid borrower's cards issued by the Deer Creek District Library are eligible to borrow materials from the Deer Creek District Library when the following conditions are met:

1. No materials which are more than one circulation period overdue on their card.
2. No outstanding fines in aggregate excess of $1.00 have accrued to their card.
3. No materials borrowed for them from another library are overdue in any amount.
4. If fines have accumulated to a specific address/residence, borrowing privileges may be suspended for the entire residence at the Director's discretion.

The library staff may not waive these regulations without the specific permission of the library director; however, the patron may request and receive a 24-hour old on the item(s)
he or she wishes to check out to allow the patron to correct the situation which has resulted in loss of eligibility to borrow.

Individuals presenting a valid card from another public library in the Reaching Across Illinois Library System may borrow materials from the Deer Creek District Library. The card must have the name of the individual presenting it, and an expiration date in the future. The card must be either a resident borrower’s card or a system borrower’s card to be valid for reciprocal borrowing.