

Hi, Everybody,

The library will be reopening to the public on August 3rd and we are so excited to welcome you back! We are taking the next two weeks to make some small adjustments to services like BookBox and WonderBox, and to redesign our spaces in order to be in compliance with Governor Baker's re-opening guidelines.

Here's what it's going to look like:

You can currently request materials from the library network online (as you did prior to COVID19). From now until August 3rd, we will be placing those library holds outside the main entrance for pickup. Items will be organized by your last name. The Curbside Pickup Form (the original form was named Curbside Delivery) will be discontinued as of 07/20/20.

On August 3rd, the library will open to patrons at 40% capacity (which is more or less where we were before COVID19). We have installed 3 touchless self-check machines on the 1st floor, which are fully ADA accessible. Services will resume as before, following strict social distancing guidelines as outlined by the Governor. Ahead of reopening, we will be releasing short videos to orient you to the space design of the library and the safety measures that have been put in place. Holds will be available on the self-hold shelf as before, and can be checked out at the self-check machines. The library is now running as a contactless model, so you must have a valid library card to check out books. We would be happy to issue you a library card in person (temporary cards can be converted to permanent cards at this time).

BookBox will be temporarily suspended while we ready the physical spaces for you. To that end, all people signed up for this service through 07/20/20 will be assigned a monthly pickup date. When we re-open the library, you will be able to pick up your BookBoxes in-person, in the self-holds area. New [BookBox subscriptions](#) will resume after August 3rd.

WonderBox will also be temporarily suspended while we ready the physical spaces for you. All people signed up for this service through 07/20/20, will be transitioned to monthly service. We will assign you a date and pack your WonderBox on that date. You can expect to get it in the mail a few days later. We are still offering activities in whichever categories you select. New [WonderBox subscriptions](#) will resume after August 3rd.

Accessibility services are also undergoing a shift. Following the BookBox model, homebound patrons and those who are unable to get to the library (we are taking into account those who lack transportation, or whose work schedule makes it difficult), can opt to get materials sent to them via the mail. The main difference between the two services is that people who use this service will receive 2-3 books in their selected genres and areas of interest. We will include a return shipping label so the materials can be easily mailed back to the library. Patrons requiring delivery by US Mail will make requests via the [Accessibility Service form](#). This service is always available.

We are so thrilled to be able to re-open the library to you, in a manner that prioritizes the safety of staff and patrons, while delivering the top-notch service you've come to expect from your Woburn Library Staff.

See you soon,

The Woburn Library