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To Our Partners in Education:

The school year is upon us, and we are very much looking forward to collaborating with you! You and your students are entitled to free library cards as individuals who work, live, and go to school in Hoboken, and it would be our pleasure to arrange this for you. We believe that every faculty member and student in our community would benefit from having a Hoboken Public Library card. We can also offer institutional library cards that can be used.

In addition, the Library offers many services to Hoboken's K-12 schools, pre-schools and daycare centers. We can supplement your classroom instruction with our print and online materials as well as host special programs to engage your students at the library. You can schedule a class visit for library tours; story times; research help; book talks; and presentations on useful databases as well as homework help resources. We are also constantly adding cool new tech gadgets to our Makerspace which can be utilized during class visits.

If you are unable leave the classroom, we are more than willing to come to you for presentations on special topics or to show you and your students how to use specific library resources. We can even bring books to you for your students to borrow.

We would love to support you in your quest to foster avid readers, skilled researchers, and critical thinkers. If you have questions about the library or ideas about how we can work together on behalf of your students, please call us at 201-420-2348 or e-mail juvenile@hoboken.bccls.org. We look forward to hearing from you this school year!

Kind Regards,

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Hoboken Public Library



What we offer your students

- special story times
- book talks
- library tours and instruction
- library card registration
- introduction to database research
- digital literacy classes
- hand-selected materials on requested topics
- Brainfuse online tutoring

Getting a library card

FOR TEACHERS

If you're a permanent Hoboken resident: provide a photo ID and proof of your Hoboken address in your name (i.e. driver's license, utility bill, lease, etc.)

If you work in Hoboken but don't live here (and live outside of the BCCLS system - just ask us!): provide photo ID, proof of your current address, and one of the following: a recent pay stub with business name and address OR a letter from your employer (on business letterhead) verifying employment.

FOR STUDENTS

Children who live OR go to school in Hoboken can receive a free Hoboken library card.

Here's how to get your students library cards:

- Send us a class list so we can determine who needs a library card
- Send your students home with our library card application form (the form is included in this digital packet or ask us to email you a copy)
- Students must return the completed form signed by a parent/guardian
- Give us the completed forms prior to (or on the day of) your visit
- We'll create cards for your students!

What we offer teachers

- training on the use of the library's many databases
- access to multiple language learning tools, such as Mango Languages and Rosetta Stone
- online reading recommendation tools
- access to Universal Class with over 500 free online classes
- open tech time in our Makerspace



HOBOKEN PUBLIC LIBRARY BRINGS YOU



What is Brainfuse HelpNow?

- ⇒ HelpNow gives you access to **FREE** online tutors ANYTIME, ANYWHERE. All you need is your library card to register!
- ⇒ HelpNow has learning resources for students in grades K-12.
- ⇒ Users can form online study groups with their peers; take online quizzes & play educational games; and access free lessons and resources by subject.
- ⇒ Users can take online assessments and practice tests for the SAT, ACT, GED, GRE, HiSET, TASC, COMPASS/ACCUPLACER, TOEFL, ASVAB, and more.
- ⇒ SkillSurfer's ESL offering includes live tutoring for ESL students and a lesson library that covers a range of beginning to advanced ESL topics.

Who are your tutors?

Tutors are trained and certified by Brainfuse. All tutors have been cleared with thorough background and reference checks, must possess a four-year degree, and have prior teaching/tutoring experience.

- **Live Tutoring:** Students submit a question in the online classroom and receive live, one-on-one assistance from a Brainfuse tutor.
- **SkillSurfer:** Brainfuse skills building service helps students master a concept or skill through state aligned online lessons with a live tutor.
- **Writing Lab:** Brainfuse writing tutors help students become better writers by providing constructive feedback, and other assistance usually within 24 hours of receiving a student's submission.
- **Send Question:** Students submit questions via an online form and a tutor will respond usually within 24 hours to the student's question.
- **Language Lab:** Students receive live online help with their Spanish language homework from fluent Spanish-speaking tutors.
- **FlashBulb:** Users can access and create interactive learning games, quizzes and flashcards.

& So Much More!

HOW TO ACCESS BRAINFUSE HELPNOW

1. Head to the library's website at www.hobokenlibrary.org
2. Click on "Catalog & Database" on the left navigation bar
3. Scroll down the list & click on "HelpNow(Brainfuse)"
4. Enter your library card number
&
5. Create a username & password

eResources for Teachers & Students

AVAILABLE FROM HOBOKEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

500 Park Ave.
Hoboken, NJ
201-420-2348
www.hobokenlibrary.org

ALL YOU NEED IS A LIBRARY CARD!



Brainfuse HelpNow: Online Tutoring & Homework Help

BrainFuse's HelpNow is designed to assist with a range of homework needs, including live, one-to-one homework help between 2 PM-11 PM each day, live New Jersey-aligned skills building (includes Common Core where appropriate), test preparation, and writing assistance. Students have access to an extensive library of Brainfuse-created lessons, video tutorials, and practice tests including those for the SAT, GED, GRE, and more. Users can archive documents and class notes in their personal CloudPack.



Resource Databases for Children through BCCLS

Access to NovelList K-8 (offers reading lists, searchable lists of award-winning titles, series coverage, curriculum support, and the ability to search for books by a variety of criteria including Lexile scores, subject, author, popularity, and more); Explora Primary Schools (offers access to popular elementary school magazines and children's encyclopedia entries as well as more than a million images, including photos, maps, and flags).



JerseyClicks

New Jersey's statewide portal for searching the statewide full-text databases offered by the New Jersey State Library, the New Jersey Library Network, and funds from the Library Services and Technology Act. This portal includes access to Teacher Reference Center (indexing and abstracts for hundreds of periodicals); MiddleSearch Plus (contains full text for more than 150 popular, middle school magazines); and many more useful databases.



The Gale Virtual Reference Library

The Gale Virtual Reference Library is available 24/7 to Hoboken library card holders from home. You can connect to a variety of reference ebooks covering topics from Science, Medicine, Finance, Literature, Religion, U.S. History, and more!



Universal Class: Free Online Learning

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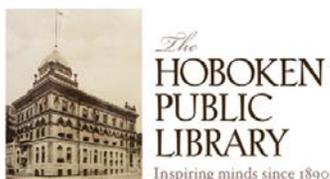
Britannica Library provides three levels (children, teens, and the reference center) to research, complete school assignments, work on special projects, or explore unique interests. It includes 3 comprehensive encyclopedias including the Encyclopedia Britannica, thousands of magazine and journal articles, Merriam-Webster Dictionary in English/Spanish, plus audio pronunciations, and 90,000 images, videos, and audio clips.



Magazines, & Music!

RB Digital Magazines gives you access to over 100 digital magazine titles!

Freegal is a downloadable and streaming music service that gives you access to millions of songs!



Language Learning Resources

Mango delivers practical conversational skills and valuable cultural insight for new languages. Lessons include strategically placed memory-building exercises in addition to critical thinking exercises.

Rosetta Stone offers patrons their unique immersion method that more than 22,000 schools have trusted for over the last 20+ years. With 30 languages to choose from!

Little Pim's videos engage little ones age 0-6, with child-friendly vocabulary based around a theme. Kids respond enthusiastically to Little Pim's combination of animated and live-action videos.



The Hoboken Public Library's MAKER SPACE PRESENTS

OPEN MAKER SPACE TIME



Arduino
Kits



Makerbot
Scanner



Makerbot
3D Printers



Music
Recording
Station



Photography
Station



Pin Back
Button
Makers

FOR ALL AGES

COME TRY OUR BRAND NEW OCULUS RIFT ON MONDAYS



OPEN MAKERSPACE TIME
ON MONDAYS FROM 1—7 PM,
Call 201-420-2347/2348 for more info.

COME HAVE FUN
AND MAKE SOMETHING OR LEARN HOW.
No Experience Required

Open use is first come first serve.

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TO BE FILLED OUT LEGIBLY BY "A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN"



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Library Card Application for Juvenile Library Card

Photo Identification and Proof of Current Street Address Required. In addition, the Children's Dept. requires the child/children to be present when applying for a new library card(s). Alternatively, the parent/guardian can provide the birth certificate of the child/children upon applying.

PLEASE PRINT

Child's Name

_____ **Last**
_____ **First** _____ **Middle Initial**

Birthdate: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____

Telephone: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

I agree to abide by the policies and regulations of the Hoboken Public Library, and to notify the Library when any information I have given changes. I will be responsible for all charges for any over, lost, or damaged library materials checked out on my child's card. If the card is lost or stolen, I understand that I am to notify the Library; otherwise I am responsible for any charges on the card.

Parent/Guardian Signature

_____ **Date** ____ / ____ / ____

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____

Barcode _____ **Staff Initials** _____