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Friends of the Library

The Friends of Friendswood Public Library is a non-profit group which has an interest in and sponsors special library programs. It provides books and equipment which, otherwise, the library would not have. All fees and donations go towards library funding. To join, pick up a flyer at the circulation desk, fill out the form, and pay vour annual fees. Membership starts as low as \$10.00 per individual.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Friendswood Public Library is to provide all persons in the community confidential access to materials that can improve their minds, and also to provide an environment in which individuals may freely pursue intellectual, educational, and recreational interests through diverse services and resources in a variety of formats.

Donations & Memorials

You may make monetary donations for memorials and honor gifts. The library staff will select an item from the subject area of interest you selected. Memorial/Honor donation forms are available at the circulation desk.

You may also donate used materials such as books, movies, compact discs, computer software and magazines in good condition for our library's twice-yearly book sale. Donations should be dropped off at the circulation desk during open hours. A receipt is available upon request.

Location

Friendswood Public Library is located at the corner of S. Friendswood Drive (FM 518) and Spreading Oaks.



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Friendswood Public Library 416 S. Friendswood Drive Friendswood, TX 77546 281-482-7135

American's With Disabilities Act (ADA)



The Friendswood Public Library will make reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities who are interested in using the library and attending library programs. If an accommodation needs to be made, please notify the library at least 48 hours in advance.

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Welcome To

Friendswood Public Library

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Closed Sundays

Website: www.friendswood.lib.tx.us

Cataloa: libcatalog.friendswood.com

Phone: 281-482-7135

City of Friendswood



Children's & Young Adult Services

The library holds storytimes for toddlers and preschoolers twice a week. There are also additional programs throughout the year and a Summer Reading Program during the summer. A program schedule is available online and in the juvenile department.



LOAN SERVICES:

APPLICATION FOR BORROWER'S CARD:

Any person is eligible for a free Friendswood Public Library card with proof of address and a photo I.D.

LOAN PERIODS:	LOAN	MAX #	RENEW
BOOKS (Not New), DVD TV Series, Non-Fiction DVD AUDIOBOOKS, MUSIC CDs	21 Days	no limit except TV Series limit 10	21 Days
NEW BOOKS	14 Days	no limit	14 Days
INTERLIBRARY LOANS	14 Days	limit 3	Ask Reference
INTERSYSTEM LOANS	21 Days	limit 3	Ask Reference
DVDs, VIDEOGAMES	7 Days	limit 10	7 Days (once)
LAUNCHPADS	7 Days	limit 1	7 Days (once)
OVERHEAD & SLIDE PROJECTORS	\$3.00/day	limit 1	none

ACCESS TO COLLECTIONS:

Children (age 0-10) are limited to the children's collection.

Young Adults (ages 11-15) have access to all materials except DVDs, Videogames, and Launchpads.

At the parent's request, children under 11 may have the

OVERDUE FINES:

The fines on materials is \$0.10 per day with a maximum fine of \$5.00 per item per check out/renewal with the following exceptions:

NEW DVDs/VIDEOGAMES: \$1.00 per day, \$10.00 maximum

LAUNCHPADS: \$2.00 per day, \$10.00 maximum OTHER DVDs: \$0.25 per day, \$5.00 maximum NEW BOOKS: \$0.25 per day, \$10.00 maximum INTERLIBRARY LOANS: \$1.00 per day, unlimited maximum PROJECTORS: \$5.00 per day, unlimited maximum

LOST AND DAMAGED ITEMS:

The charge for lost or badly damaged materials is the replacement cost plus a non-refundable \$5.00 processing fee per item. Refunds will not be made on lost items after one year.

REPLACEMENT CARDS:

For security purposes a library card is required for all library transactions. If a card is lost or stolen, please report it immediately. The charge for a lost card is \$2.00.

OTHER PENALTIES:

- When fines exceed \$100.00 per cardholder, borrowing privileges are suspended at all Galveston County Libraries.
- There will be a \$25.00 fee on all returned checks.

REFERENCE SERVICES:

Reference service is available from the reference desk, by telephone at **281-482-7135**, or by Internet through our website at **www.friendswood.lib.tx.us**.

Computer & Internet Services:

All computer services are available through sign-up at the reference desk. Use is limited to one hour. Patrons may call and schedule a usage time with the reference staff. Computers equipped with Microsoft® Word, Excel®, and PowerPoint®, DVD reader & writers, USB ports, and earphone connections. Printing is available for a fee of 10 cents per page for black & white and 50 cents per page for color, payable in <u>cash</u>.

Internet Services:

There are thirteen public access Internet stations available near the reference desk. Patrons must read and sign the library's Internet Access Policy before they may use the Internet. Patrons must also sign in at the reference desk before each use. Students under 16 years of age must have parental or guardian permission in order to use the library's Internet stations.

ADA Accessible Workstation:

The library also has one computer specifically designed for patrons with disabilities. It offers special software for the visually impaired. For information ask at Reference.

Computer Classes:

Classes are free and open to everyone. Courses focus primarily on Office products, internet usage and include a variety of special topics. Ask at Reference for more information.

Online Library Catalog:

The library's catalog is available at **libcatalog.friendswood.com** Patrons may also view their patron profile, renew items, place items on hold, and check the status of their account. Requests for items or information may also be made through various forms found on the library's webpage.

Databases:

Access to full text articles on a wide range of subjects is available in the library and from your home computer. The databases available are:

- EBSCO magazine and research
- TexShare business, health, homework, history, genealogy, and literature
- Language learning and auto repair
- And many more!