March 17, 2020

Dear BCLS Patrons,

Like all of you, we’re following the COVID-19 outbreak closely and taking steps to stay as safe and healthy as we can. By Governor Whitmer’s Executive order, we are closed to the public. At this time, we plan to re-open on April 6.

If you already have library materials checked out or slated for pickup, don’t worry! We are extending all pickup and return dates to **Monday, April 13**. Please keep your items until after we re-open as the book drops are not available - **no fines or fees will be charged during this time**.

In the meantime, you’ll still find [plenty to love on our website](#) with thousands of eBooks, eAudiobooks, magazines, streaming entertainment, and even language learning resources with [Mango Languages](#). If you are looking for songs, movies, and TV shows, we’ve increased the number of items you can check out through Hoopla from 5 to 10 a month! Take a look around our digital resources, and don’t forget, you can still fill out your online census at [my2020census.gov](#).

We apologize for any inconvenience this closure causes you, but we appreciate your understanding and always appreciate your support. We look forward to welcoming everyone back when we reopen. Be sure to check our website and [Facebook page](#) for any updates.

Wishing you well,
Bay County Library System Staff

**LINKS TO STAY INFORMED**

[Coronavirus-State of Michigan](#)
[Bay County Health Department](#)
[Centers for Disease Control (CDC)](#)
[World Health Organization (WHO)](#)
