



IGA student cards

PARENT INFORMATION

Hello!

Our records indicate that your household has already purchased non-resident cards. We wanted to take this opportunity to answer some questions that you may have about this program.

Your non-resident cards will be up for renewal on:

FAQs

Q: What is the difference between a non-resident card and an IGA Student Card?

A: The specifics of the IGA Student Card are detailed on the reverse side of this handout. The main difference between the two cards is restrictions on usage. IGA Student Cards can only be used by the cardholder; cards cannot be used by or on behalf of a family member. Additionally, IGA Student Cards are only valid at the Lake Bluff Library; unlike non-resident cards, they cannot be registered or used at other libraries.

Q: Can my child have both an IGA Student Card and a non-resident card?

A: Your child is eligible for both types of cards, but your household may only be enrolled in one program at a time.

Q: What if I decide on one card but change my mind later?

A: You can opt in or out of the IGA Student Card program at any point. Buying a non-resident card will not affect future eligibility for the IGA Student Card program; similarly, signing up for a IGA Student Card now does not affect your future eligibility for a non-resident card.

Q: If I wanted my child to use an IGA Student Card in lieu of a non-resident card, can you refund or adjust my non-resident fee to reflect that?

A: Unfortunately no. The agreement between the School and the Library has no impact on non-resident fees, so we cannot adjust your fee based on that agreement. We are also unable to issue refunds for any non-resident cards for the same reason.

Q: Didn't the Library get in trouble for having a similar program many years ago?

A: The Library did offer cards to all Lake Bluff school children about fifteen or twenty years ago. This was an informal program with no agreement with the school or any usage restrictions. This eventually resulted in the program being shut down. The IGA Student Card program is based on a model approved by the State.

Q: What exactly are the terms of the agreement between the Library and the School District?

A: The full text of the agreement will be made available on the Library Profile and Important Documents page (www.lakeblufflibrary.org/profile.html) on the Library website.



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IGA Card Use & Responsibilities

The IGA Student Card is for the exclusive use of a current District 65, District 115, or Forest Bluff student residing at an eligible unincorporated property.

The following use of an IGA Student Card is strictly prohibited:

- Use by parents, family members, or any party other than the cardholder.
- Use by the cardholder on behalf of another individual, including parents and family members.

Misuse of the IGA Student Card is subject to consequences up to and including suspension of library card privileges.

Cardholders must be present at the library in order to check out items with their IGA Student Card. Library staff will not honor requests to check out items if the cardholder is not present.

IGA Student Cards are valid at the Lake Bluff Public Library only and may not be registered or used at other libraries.

IGA Student Cards are subject to the same loan periods and fine/fee schedules as other library cards. Cardholders and their parents/legal guardians are responsible for the payment of all fines and fees accrued on the account.

Can I get a Library Card?

Yes, you can get a library card!

However, where and how your card is issued depends on whether your property is taxed for library service. If you reside at a property that is not taxed for library service, you may purchase a non-resident card from the library that is geographically closest to your home.

Your library district

You reside at a property that is not taxed for library service. Members of your household can purchase a non-resident card from the Lake Bluff Library. The cost of a non-resident card is equivalent to what your property would pay in taxes to the library.

The non-resident fee for your property is:

\$ _____

Please note:

- This fee provides cards for the entire household.
- Your non-resident fee must be paid on an annual basis; however, there is no obligation to renew your card at the end of the year if you do not want to.
- Visit www.lakeblufflibrary.org/nonresidentFAQ.html for more information.

Which card is right for me?

District 65 Student Card

- Available at no additional cost to you.
- Restricted usage: family members cannot use this card.
- Card may not be registered at other libraries.
- While family members cannot use this card, there are a number of library services (programs, public PCs, in-house use of materials) that do not require a card.

Non-Resident Card

- Required annual fee.
- High return on investment--the average ROI for Lake Bluff Library users is \$3.28 for every dollar spent on the library. You can calculate your individual ROI by visiting www.lakeblufflibrary.org/roicalculator.html
- Provides your entire household with access to library services.
- Card can be registered at other libraries.

Please note that you can only have one library card (D65 or non-resident) but you can opt in or out of either program at any time. Have more questions? Call, visit, or email us and we'll be happy to help.



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