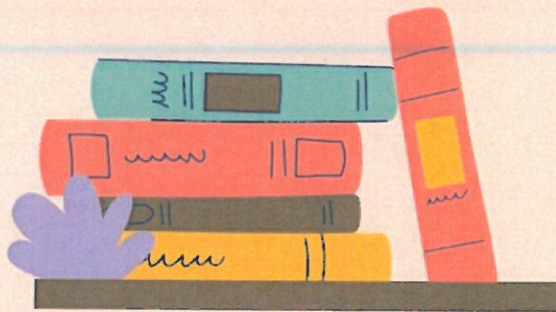




MT. CARMEL PUBLIC LIBRARY

CARDS

FOR KIDS



ACT

AVAILABLE FOR ANYONE UNDER AGE 18 THAT RESIDES OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS
CHILDREN MUST MEET FEDERAL LOW-INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

PARENT OR LEGAL
GUARDIAN MUST
ACCOMPANY MINOR
AND SHOW PROOF OF
IDENTIFICATION FOR
LIBRARY CARD
APPLICATION

MT. CARMEL
PUBLIC LIBRARY

727 N. MULBERRY ST
MT. CARMEL, IL 62863

618-263-3531

MONDAY - SATURDAY 10 AM-6 PM ● CLOSED ON SUNDAYS

The Cards for Kids Act requires Illinois public libraries to allow children

- Who are students enrolled in grades Pre-K-12 in a public or private school, and
- Who live in an unincorporated area, and
- Who meet federal low-income eligibility guidelines

To get a free library card in order to have continued access to children's reading materials. This access includes various online learning resources such as e-books and e-audiobooks. This card is subject to all Mount Carmel Public Library policies for children. This policy states that parents are responsible for any fines and/or lost items accrued by their child. The policy also states that children may not check out DVDs and nor use the computer without direct parental supervision. All other Mount Carmel Public Library policies, such as fines and checkout limits, apply. Call 618-263-3531 for more details and for library hours.

To apply, a parent with a qualifying child should bring the parent's completed federal tax for or documentation from the school indicates the student's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals, the parent's driver's license or state ID, and a piece of mail such as a water bill addressed to the parent with the current address to the library. The child should accompany the parent when applying.

The Cards for Kids Act was sponsored by Illinois State Senator Laura Murphy after learning about students in her district who could not check out materials from the public library due to the inability to afford the non-resident fees.