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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Re: Library Expands Hours

Attached: PA Patrons in Children's Area.jpg

Beginning Monday, January 3, the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) will expand its hours. With the new hours, the Library is offering nearly the same amount of open hours as it was before the pandemic, but adjustments have been made to the exact times based current needs and the results of a community survey conducted in the fall. Of special note, The Forks, Port Angeles and Sequim Branches will open an hour earlier at 9am on Fridays and Saturdays. The new hours are:

Port Angeles and Sequim Branches

Monday through Thursday -- 10am-7pm Friday -- 9am-6pm Saturday -- 9am-5pm

Forks Branch

Monday through Thursday -- 10am-7pm Friday and Saturday -- 9am-5pm

Clallam Bay Branch

Monday through Wednesday -- 10am-6pm Thursday and Friday -- 10am-5pm In accordance with Clallam County's Mask Mandate, all patrons age 5 and older are required to wear a mask inside NOLS buildings, regardless of their vaccination status. Patrons age 2 and older are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. Masks should be snug and fully cover nose and mouth. Exceptions will be allowed for babies under the age of 2. Limited Curbside Service or Outreach to the Homebound Service is available for patrons who are unable to wear a mask due to medical or other reasons. Free masks are available for community members who do not have a mask.

NOLS will continue to prioritize patron and staff safety during the pandemic, following public health guidelines closely. Meeting and study rooms remain unavailable, and no in-person programming is currently being offered, although a wide-variety of virtual and "Take and Make" programs continue to be offered each month. Additional services and programming will be rolled out carefully as local conditions, staffing and space in each library branch allows.

For more information about library services, visit www.nols.org, call 360.417.8500, email Discover@nols.org, or follow North Olympic Library System on Facebook and Instagram.



Patrons use the children's area of the Port Angeles Library. NOLS expanded its hours January 3.