



NEWS RELEASE
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Re: Laptops Available for Checkout at the Library
Attached: *Curbside Laptop.jpg*

The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) now has laptop computers available for checkout. Laptops are available for a 2-hour loan period, for use on library property. The lending laptops automatically connect to NOLS Wi-Fi (and do not connect to any other network).

Laptops are available to NOLS cardholders on a first-come, first-served basis during library curbside hours. Signing up for a library card is free and can be done during Curbside Service hours.

“Many community members rely on the library to access computers. It has been challenging to meet this need while library buildings are closed to the public,” said Noah Glaude, Library Director. “NOLS is committed to digital equity,” added Glaude. “The Library boosted its free Wi-Fi and made it available 24/7 as soon as the pandemic forced the closure of our facilities, but we realize there are a lot of people who don’t have devices to utilize the free Wi-Fi. We are excited to launch the laptop service to help bridge the gap, until the dozens of public computers in our buildings are available for regular use again.”

NOLS also began offering a free curbside printing service in December. Using any device with an internet connection, including a NOLS laptop, submit a file online at nols.org/printing, then

visit your local branch and library staff will print your documents when you arrive. This service is limited to 25 sheets per day, during library Curbside Service. Print jobs will be held for 48 hours. After that time, documents need to be resubmitted.

Curbside Library Service (including holds pick up, new library cards, and online printing) is available at the Forks, Port Angeles, and Sequim branches from 10am-6pm Monday through Friday, and 10am-4pm on Saturday. At the Clallam Bay Branch, curbside is available from 10am-6pm Monday through Wednesday, and from 10am-5pm Thursday and Friday. For more information about library services and programs, visit www.nols.org, call 360.417.8500, email Discover@nols.org, or follow North Olympic Library System on Facebook and Instagram.



Laptops are now available for checkout at all NOLS branches.

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