Free WiFi is also available inside all of our branches during business hours, or 24 hours a day using the state of West Virginia’s Kids Connect program.

**What is a Mobile Hotspot?**
A hotspot is an area where a user can access the Internet via WiFi. A mobile hotspot device enables users to connect to the Internet using a small box with a cell phone data plan that they can bring with them wherever they go. Similar to a data plan for a cell phone as long as the device can connect to the cell tower, users can access the Internet. The device itself emits a WiFi signal that users can connect their personal devices to, like a laptop, tablet, or smart phone, in order to use the Internet.

**NEW: Mobile Hotspots Available**

The Marion County Public Library System is making it possible for more Marion County households to have internet access at home by having hotspots available for check out! These mobile hot spots will circulate as 7 day rentals (no renewals), FREE with your Marion County Public Library System Library card!

We are starting with 10 Sprint mobile hotspots, which will be housed at the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont), the Fairview Public Library, and the Mannington Public Library when they are not in use. Each kit contains a hotspot device, Micro USB charger, and simple instructions.

You can place a mobile hotspot on hold by calling your branch, through the Marion County Public Library mobile app (available on Google Play and the Apple Store), or by visiting mcpls.org and selecting the “search the collection” button.
Bestsellers

**All That Glitters** by Danielle Steel
**Anxious People** by Fredrik Bachman
**Daylight** by David Baldacci
**Hush-Hush** by Stuart Woods
**Jolene** by Mercedes Lackey
**The Invisible Life of Addie Larue** by V.E. Schwab
**The Law of Innocence** by Michael Connelly
**Marauder** by Clive Cussler
**NYPD Red 6** by James Patterson
**Piece of My Heart** by Mary Higgins Clark
**Rhythm of War** by Brandon Sanderson
**Tom Clancy: Shadow of the Dragon** by Marc Cameron

Inspiration

**The Amish Secrets** by Marta Perry
**Brides of Lehigh Canal Trilogy** by Wanda E. Brunstetter
**A Castaway in Cornwall** by Julie Klassen
**The Coffee Corner** by Amy Clipston
**The Dress Shop on King Street** by Ashley Clark
**First Light in Morning Star** by Charlotte Hubbard
**His Accidental Amish Family** by Rachel J. Good
**Marrying Mathew** by Kelly Long
**A Picture of Love** by Beth Wiseman
**Save the Last Dance** by Shelley Shepard Gray

Misc. Fiction

**The Blade Between** by Sam J. Miller
**The Chicken Sisters** by K.J. Dell’Antonia
**A Children’s Bible: A Novel** by Lydia Millet
**Conqueror’s Pride** by Timothy Zahn
**The Cowboy Who Saved Christmas** by Jodi Thomas
**The Daydream Cabin** by Carolyn Brown
**Dead Lies Dreaming** by Charles Stross
**The Dew Breaker** by Edwidge Danticat
**The Escape** by Lisa Harris
**The Haunting of Brynn Wilder** by Wendy Webb
**Interior Chinatown** by Charles Yu
**A Lady’s Guide to Mischief and Mayhem** by Manda Collins
**Lady Macdeath** by Mary Daheim
**Layla** by Colleen Hoover
**The Lost Boys** by Faye Kellerman
**Miss Benson’s Beetle** by Rachel Joyce
**The Mystery of Mrs. Christie** by Marie Benedict
**The Princess and the Rogue** by Kate Bateman
**Star Wars: Allegiance** by Timothy Zahn
**Stories from the Sufragette City** by M.J. Rose
**Under the Alaskan Ice** by Karen Harper

Large Print

**All the Devils are Here** by Penny Louise
**The Awakening** by Nora Roberts
**Carolina Breeze** by Denise Hunter
**The Crushing Depths** by Dani Pettrey
**Dark Tides** by Philippa Gregory
**Death in the East** by Abir Mukherjee
**Fortune and Glory** by Janet Evanovich
**Game of Dog Bones** by Laurien Berenson
**Hard Cash Valley** by Brian Panowich
**Hidden Bodies** by Caroline Kepnes
**Hush-Hush** by Stuart Woods
**The Lost are the Last to Die** by Larry D. Sweazy
**Love Your Life** by Sophie Kinsella
**Matt Jensen, The Last Mountain Man: Die with the Outlaws** by William Johnstone
**Noel Street** by Richard Paul Evans
**No Rest for the Restless** by R.W. Stone
**One Last Lie** by Paul Doiron
**Peaceful Jenkins** by William Cold MacDonald
**Piece of My Heart** by Mary Higgins Clark
**Rising Fire** by William W. Johnstone
**Rodeo Ranch** by Max Brand
**Shadow of the Big Horn** by E.E. Halleron
**Shadows of Foxworth** by V.C. Andrews
**Westward They Rode** by Theodore Olsen
**Wyoming True** by Diana Palmer

Non-Fiction

**50 Fat Quarter Toys**
**50 Knitted Wraps and Shawls**
**Bag Man** by Rachel Maddow
**Betty Crocker’s Cookbook**
**The Case for Keto** by Gary Taubes
**Consumer Reports Buying Guide 2021**
**Creative Cosplay** by Amanda Dawn Haas
**Dirt** by Bill Buford
**Dolly Parton, Songteller: My Life in Lyrics** by Dolly Parton
**Empty out the Negative** by Joel Osteen
**The Essential Air Fryer Cookbook For Two**
**Forgiving What You Can’t Forget** by Lisa TerKeurst
**Jorid Linvik’s Big Book of Christmas Knits: Over 70 Scandinavian Holiday Patterns**
**The Killer’s Shadow** by John Douglas
**The Last Days of John Lennon** by James Patterson
**Long Term Care** by Joseph Matthews
**One Life** by Megan Rapinoe
**A Promised Land** by Barrack Obama
**Taste of Home Annual Recipes 2021**
**Toaster Oven Perfection** by America’s Test Kitchen
**The Ultimate College Cookbook** by Victoria Granof
Young Adult

The Camelot Betrayal by Kiersten White
The Cousins by Karen McManus
A Cuban Girl’s Guide to Tea and Tomorrow by Laura Taylor Namey
Each of Us a Desert by Mark Oshiro
The Enigma Game by Elizabeth Wein
Even if We Break by Marieke Nijkamp
Fence: Striking Distance by Sarah Rees Brennan
Five Total Strangers by Natalie D. Richards
Furia by Yami Saed Medez
Horrid by Katrina Leno
House of Dragons by K.A. Linde
How it All Blew Up by Arvin Ahmadi
How the King of Elfhame Learned to Hate Stories by Holly Black
I Killed Zoe Spanos by Kit Frick
Kingdom of the Wicked by Kerri Maniscalco
The Memory of Babel by Christelle Dabos
Never Look Back by Lilliam Rivera
The Ravens by Kass Morgan
Sasha Masha by Agnes Borinsky
Super Fake Love Song by David Yoon
Vampires Never Get Old: Tales with Fresh Bite by Zoraida Cordova
Watch Over Me by Nina Lacour
What She Found in the Woods by Josephine Angelini

Binge Boxes

The American Military
Black Hawk Down; Unbroken; Lone Survivor;
13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi;
Platoon; American Sniper

Humbug Holiday
Bad Santa; Scrooged; The Ref; Black Christmas.

In a Galaxy Far Far Away
Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace;
Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones;
Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith;
Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope;
Star Wars Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back;
Star Wars Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

Lone Star State Cinema
Walker Texas Ranger: Standoff; Places in the Heart;
Tender Mercies; My All American;
The Astronaut Farmer;
Secondhand Lions

Music Biopics
Bohemian Rhapsody; Walk the Line,
Ray; Rocketman; The Doors;
Straight Outta Compton

Relatively Happy Holiday
Tyler Perry’s A Madea Christmas;
Christmas with the Kranks; Love the Coopers;
Surviving Christmas; This Christmas

Take a Walk with Wahlberg
Four Brothers; The Departed; The Other Guys;
Deepwater Horizon; Shooter.

Tis the Season:
Heartwarming Hallmark
A Christmas Love Story; Christmas at the Plaza;
It’s Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas;
Picture a Perfect Christmas;
Sense, Sensibility & Snowmen;
Christmas in Evergreen;
Tidings of Joy

Whatever You Do... Don’t Go Outside
A Quiet Place; 10 Cloverfield Lane; It
Whatever You Do; Nightcrawler; Snowpiercer; 30 Days of Night

Children

13 Stories About Harris by Amy Schwartz
All Because You Matter by Tami Charles
The Barnabus Project by Terry Fan
The Bear Went Over the Mountain by Jane Cabrera
Crossing the Current by Jane Yolen
Interrupting Cow and the Chicken
Crossing the Road by Jane Yolen
Llama Llama Holiday Helper by Anna Dewdney
Maud and Grandma by Sara O’Leary
Mistletoe at Tall Hills
Mr. Nogginbody and the Childish Child by David Shannon
Not An Alphabet Book by Koin Mclaughlin
Over and Under the Rainforest by Kate Messner
The Really Rotten Princess and the Awful Icky Election by Cecil Snodgrass
Sleepover Party by Katharine Holabird (Angelina Ballerina)
Splat the Cat and the Cat in the Moon by Rob Scotton
Sun and Moon Together by Ethan Long
Tip and Tucker: Paw Painters by Ann Ingalls

Readalongs

Bridges (Everyday Engineering) by Chris Bowman
Camilla, Cartographer by Julie Dilemuth
Caribou Migration by Kari Schuetz
Clownfish by Lindsay Shaffer
The Couch Potato by Jory John
Daddy, Me, and the Magic Hour by Laura Krauss Melmed
Escape Goat by Ann Patchett
Freedom Soup by Tami Charles
A Gift for Amma: Market Day in India by Meera Srinam
Girl vs Squirrel by Hayley Barrett
Hello, Ninja. Hello, Georgie by N.D. Wilson
Houndsley and Catina at the Library by James Howe
Kala and the Bees by Maribeth Boelts
Lulu the One and Only by Lynette Mawhinney
Moon! Earth’s Best Friend by Stacy Meunulty
Pete the Cat: Crayons Rock by Kimberly and James Dean
Rollercoasters (Everyday Engineering) by Chris Bowman
The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown
Run Pum Pum by David L. Harrison
The Tiny Baker by Hayley Barrett
Two Little Trains by Margaret Wise Brown
We Believe in You by Beth Ferry
You Belong by Rachel Platten

Juvenile Fiction

Anyia and the Nightingale by Sofiya Pasternack
Battle of the Bodkins by Lincoln Peirce
A Long Road on a Short Day by Gary D. Schmidt
Peacemaker by Joseph Bruhac
Serena Says by Tanita S. Davis
The Smartest Kid in the Universe by Chris Grabenstein

Graphic Novels

Avatar: The Last Airbender: The Lost Adventures and Team Avatar Tales by Bryan Konietzko
Batman, Curse of the White Knight by Sean Gordon Murphy
Batman, Last Knight on Earth by Scott Snyder
The Last Olympian by Robert Venditti
Star Wars. Rebel Jail 1-5 by Jason Aaron
Stranger Planet 1-2 by Nathan W. Pyle
X-Men + Fantastic Four: 4X by Chip Zdarsky

Video Games

Nintendo Switch:
Pikmin 3
PS5:
Madden NFL 21
Marvel’s Spider-Man: Miles Morales
XBOX One:
Call of Duty: Black Ops Cold War
Crash Bandicoot 4
Madden NFL 21
Mamba Forever (NBA 2K21)
December Events

Holiday Closings:
Thursday, December 10: Fairview Public Library Closing at 1 pm
Friday, December 11: Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) and Mannington Public Library Closing at 1 pm
December 24-26: All branches CLOSED
December 31: Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) and Mannington Public Library Closing at 3 pm

Events for All Ages:
Fairmont Friends of the Library Book Sale
The Book Cave is Open! The Friends of the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) will be taking walk-ins to browse the book sale room.

Starting December 1, the book sale room will be open Tuesdays and Saturdays, 10 am—2 pm on a first come first serve basis. Only 2 visitors will be allowed into the book sale room at a time, due to the size of the room.

Events for Kids:
Santa Chats
Join Christian Cox as he goes LIVE with the one and only Santa Claus with "Santa Chats!" We'll talk with Santa about his preparations for his big night. Each Santa Chat will feature a chat time with Santa saying hello to the kids, sharing messages, and answering questions.

To help us manage the volume, kids need to send their greetings or questions to Mr. Cox to relay to Santa PRIOR to the live video by emailing ccox@mcpls.org.

Be sure to watch these special events on the first three Wednesdays in December, as we will go LIVE with the jolly one himself at 10:30 am with "Santa Chats!" (December 2, 9, and 16)

Sidewalk Santa
Santa will be at all three libraries on Saturday December 19! This will be socially distanced event. Parents can drive their kids by for a special treat from Santa from the safety of your own car. Santa will give a special treat and greet the children as they pull up to the sidewalk. We ask that all visitors remain INSIDE their vehicle.

Santa will be at the Fairview Public Library 9:30-10:30, the Mannington Public Library 11am-12pm, and the Marion County Public Library (Fairmont) 1:30-3:30pm. So drive to the library to wave at Santa and to get a special treat!

Little Rembrandts
Saturday, December 5: 1 pm
Youth (age ten and up) are invited to join Ms. Julie in this virtual event and learn how to transform a blank canvas into a cute sleepy Santa. Space is limited. Registered participants can pick up a canvas at their local branch of the Marion County Public Library System during the week of November 30.

For the supply list and to sign up, visit www.mcpls.org/events

Facebook Live Story Time
Join us on Facebook Live for fun stories and activities! December 1 and December 8 at 10:30 am, no sign up required.

Story Time Craft Club
Pre-K and K-1 children are also encouraged to register for the Storytime Craft Club! Ms. Julie and others have a lot of fun crafts planned this fall for our friends. December 1 and December 8 on Facebook Live, immediately following Facebook Live Story Time (around 11 am). Members can come by the library weekly to get your surprise bag to open with us during Craft time!

Register at www.mcpls.org/events

Events for T(w)eens:
The Book Pack
The Book Pack is a new book club for tweens at the Mannington Public Library, recommended for ages 10-13.

Pick up a copy of The Summer of the Swans by Betsy Byars and register to join us Dec. 15 at 1:30 to discuss the book and share a book related activity. Participants must register and agree to the library’s Covid-19 guidelines.

Events for Teens & Adults:
Pine Cone Star Ornaments
Tuesday, December 15: 5 pm
Join us on Zoom to make a beautiful snowy looking ornament from pine cones. Kits will be available at your branch beginning on Monday December 4.

You will need hot glue and white paint. We will provide a craft kit with pine cones and glitter.
December Events

Most events will be held virtually, due to COVID-19

Events for Adults:

Speaking of Books
Join us Tuesday, December 1, in person at the Fairview Public Library, or by phone or computer, as we discuss The Orphan Sister by Gwendolen Gross.

The number of in-person members will be limited to 6 people. This event will be socially distanced, and masks are required.

“Clementine Lord is not an orphan. She just feels like one sometimes. One of triplets, a quirk of nature left her the odd one out. Odette and Olivia are identical; Clementine is a singleton. Biologically speaking, she came from her own egg. Practically speaking, she never quite left it. Then Clementine’s father—a pediatric neurologist who is an expert on children’s brains, but clueless when it comes to his own daughters—disappears, and his choices, both past and present, force the family dynamics to change at last. As the three sisters struggle to make sense of it, their mother must emerge from the greenhouse and leave the flowers that have long been the focus of her warmth and nurturing.

For Clementine, the next step means retracing the winding route that led her to this very moment: to understand her father’s betrayal, the tragedy of her first lost love, her family’s divisions, and her best friend Eli’s sudden romantic interest. Most of all, she may finally have found the voice with which to share the inside story of being the odd sister out... “

Cover2Cover Book Club
Pick up a copy of Look Again by Lisa Scottoline and register to join us December 17 at 1:30 to discuss the book and share a book related activity. Participants must register and agree to the library’s Covid-19 guidelines.

“When reporter Ellen Gleeson gets a "Have You Seen This Child?” flyer in the mail, she almost throws it away. But something about it makes her look again..."

The child in the photo looks exactly like Ellen’s adopted son, Will. But how could it be if the adoption was lawful? Everything inside her tells her to deny what she sees. But Ellen won’t rest until she finds out the truth. And she can’t shake the question: If Will rightfully belongs to someone else, should she keep him or give him up?

Ellen makes the wrenching decision to investigate, following a trail of clues no one was meant to uncover. And when she digs too deep, she risks losing her life—and that of the son she loves.”

Crafty Creations with Carol
‘Tis the season to be freezin’

Sock Snowman Craft
(Adults Only)

Register to join Carol December 7, at 5 pm. Carol will provide the supplies needed and you can bring any special embellishments you have at home. Participants must register and agree to the library’s Covid-19 guidelines.

Tabletop Game Group
Missing our Wednesday Night Tabletop Game Group? Not to fear, WNG is happening virtually!

Please contact Dan Ward at dward@mcpls.org for more information on how to join the fun! WNG meets every Wednesday at 5 pm to play games like Dominant Species, Sagrada, and Terraforming Mars.

December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: 5 pm

Graphic Novel Book Club
Happy new year! Welcome back to the graphic novel book club. To kick off 2021, we will be discussing Thi Bui’s memoir, The Best We Could Do.

This beautifully illustrated and emotional story is an evocative memoir about the search for a better future and a longing for the past.

Exploring the anguish of immigration and the lasting effects that displacement has on a child and her family, Bui documents the story of her family’s daring escape after the fall of South Vietnam in the 1970s, and the difficulties they faced building new lives for themselves.

The graphic novel can be accessed through Hoopla!

This virtual event will use Webex, a user-friendly conferencing platform. Participants can choose to connect online for both audio and visual or just by phone (audio only), depending on your comfort level and internet availability. Participants must register by noon on January 5th with an active email address. Registered participants will receive an emailed invitation link to the virtual meeting.

Also, please consider joining the MCPLS Graphic Novel Book Club Facebook group, where we post news, submit suggestions, and vote for the next book club selection.
Whether you’re looking for holiday streaming resources like movies, music, and eBooks, or wanting a fun winter or holiday activity for your kids, MCPLS is the place for you!

Check out our streaming resources by visiting mcpls.org/streaming.

You can get started with Creativebug’s crafts for all ages or Scholastic Teachables educational activities for kids by visiting mcpls.org/education

Happy holidays from MCPLS!
Happy holidays from all of us at MCPLS!
November 30: Winter Hours Begin

December 1, 8: Facebook Live Story Time
(10:30 am)

December 1, 8: Story Time Craft Club
(Immediately following FB Story Time)

December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Fairmont Friends
Book Sale (10 am—2 pm)

December 1: Speaking of Books: Fairview
(4 pm, in person and virtual)
The Orphan Sister by Gwendolen Gross

December 2, 9, 16: Santa Chats
(10:30 am, Facebook Live)

December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Tabletop Game
Group (5 pm). Virtual, contact Dan Ward
at Dward@mcplsl.org or 304-366-1210,
extension 128 for details

December 5, 12, 19: Fairmont Friends
Book Sale (10 am—2 pm)

December 5: Little Rembrandts
Reindeer painting (1 pm, WebEx)

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December 15: The Book Pack ‘Tweens
Book Club: The Summer of the Swans by
Betsy Byars (1:30 pm, Mannington)

December 15: Online Craft Class: Fall
Snowy Pine Cone Ornaments (5 pm,
Zoom—Teens and Adults)

December 16: Cover2Cover Book Club
(1:30 pm, in person at the Mannington PL)
Look Again by Lisa Scottoline

December 19: Curbside Santa (Fairview)
9:30 am—10:30 am

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11 am—12 pm

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