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Pierce County Library's Tools for Students set students for success

PIERCE COUNTY, Washington – Add a [Pierce County Library card](#) to the back-to-school list and access the Pierce County Library System's [Tools for Students](#) for free. With access to live tutors 24/7 and in-depth research and study tools, students will start the school year strong.

Tools for Students is a suite of online tools to help with reports, science experiments, world languages and more, and all of these services are available outside of the library.

“We know filling those back-to-school backpacks is costly. The Pierce Library has a no-cost array of services to support students all year and they can access them 24 hours a day,” said Pierce County Library Executive Director Gretchen Caserotti. “We're dedicated to help equip students with the tools they need to succeed, whether they access these resources in a library, at home or in school.”

Tools for Students includes:

- Live tutors available 24/7, in English and Spanish.
- Research databases for world cultures, historical figures and science.
- Reference content such as newspaper and magazine articles and videos.
- Ideas for science fair projects, STEAM activities and science research.
- Practice tests and study guides for standardized tests.
- Tips to help complete financial aid applications.
- Learning assistance for more than 160 languages.

In addition to these tools, many library locations have in-person classes and events to help get back into the swing of the school year including:

Intro to Homework Resources

Saturday, Sept. 28, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Bonney Lake Pierce County Library, 18501 90th St. E.

Homeschool Meet-Ups

Thursday, Sept. 12, noon-1:30 p.m.

Summit Pierce County Library, 5107 112th St. E.

Thursday, Sept. 19, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Sumner Pierce County Library, 1116 Fryar Ave.

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 1-2 p.m.

South Hill Pierce County Library, 15420 Meridian E.

The Pierce County Library has a vast supply of books and other materials to support students. Explore these materials and more at mypcls.org.

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About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed [Pierce County Library System](#) serves 671,000 people throughout Pierce County with 19 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and property taxes are the main funding source. People may choose from more than one million books, e-books, audiobooks, movies and other materials. Pierce County Library is committed to directing services in three primary areas: learning, enjoyment and community connection. Its services and programs spark success for Pierce County residents. People make approximately one million visits to Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities, people who are homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. [Pierce County Libraries are located](#) at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center, Lakewood, Milton/Edgewood, Orting, Parkland/Spanaway, South Hill, Steilacoom, Summit, Sumner, Tillicum and University Place. Pierce County Library is an independent municipal corporation and operates as a junior taxing district.

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