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## Kids and teenagers – your design could be on thousands of library cards

**PIERCE COUNTY, Washington** – Kids and teenagers while you are Staying Home, Staying Healthy, and Staying Studying, have some fun and show your creativity by designing a Pierce County Library System library card. This is a student’s chance to design a library card that will be in the hands and wallets of thousands of Pierce County residents.

Submit designs in the Pierce County Library’s free [design contest](#) now through **Friday, May 29**.

“We love the creative and unique ways kids in our community see the Library,” said the Pierce County Library Executive Director Georgia Lomax. “We issue about 60,000 new cards every year, and student-designed cards are always crowd-pleasers. We look forward to showcasing the student talent on thousands of library cards.”

Children between the ages of 5-11 and teenagers between the ages of 12-18 living or attending school in Pierce County are eligible to enter. Students may complete an entry form at [cardcontest.pcls.us](#). For the contest, artists must submit entry forms with their library card design online at [cardcontest.pcls.us](#) or by mail to Library Card Contest, Pierce County Library System, 3005 112<sup>th</sup> St. E., Tacoma, WA 98446-2215.

Art must be original and not published elsewhere. Submitted art becomes the property of Pierce County Library. The Library will retain all submissions. The artist’s name will appear along with the artwork on the printed card, which will be available throughout Pierce County.

Professional artists will review entries and select finalists for the two age categories. The public will select the winners from the finalists by voting online later this year.

The child- and teen-designed library cards will be available for free, in addition to other designs the Library offers. The student-designed cards are expected to be available later this year.

A Pierce County Library card offers access to 1.1 million books, e-books, audiobooks, movies and other materials for learning and enjoyment at [www.piercecountylibrary.org](#).

### About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed [Pierce County Library System](#) serves 614,000 people throughout Pierce County with 20 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and is funded primarily through property taxes. People may choose from 1.1 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. More than 2 million people visit Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities or who are homebound, and to children in child care centers and schools. [Pierce County Libraries are located](#) at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center,

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