

LIBRARY CARDS

Eligibility Requirement

The following persons are eligible for an Elmhurst Public Library card, which provides full borrowing privileges at the Elmhurst Public Library and reciprocal borrowing privileges at cooperating intersystem and intrasystem libraries:

- 1) **Residents** of the City of Elmhurst. Identification with proof of residency is required at the time of application. Post office boxes are not acceptable as mailing addresses without proof of residency. These cards are valid for 2 years.

- 2) Any **nonresident**, who as an individual, partner, principal stockholder or joint owner **owns taxable property** within Elmhurst or any individual who is a senior administrative officer of a firm, business or other corporation owning taxable property within Elmhurst. This privilege shall be extended to only one person (the first applicant) for each parcel of taxable property. Identification and presentation of a current tax bill receipt is required at the time of application. These cards are valid for one year.

Note: If the applicant currently has a card from another public library, a sticker will be attached to that card granting limited resident privileges at EPL for one year.

Nonresident staff members of the Elmhurst Public Library may be issued a library card for local use only. These cards are valid as long as the person is employed at the library.

In addition, under the provisions of PA 92-0166, the Elmhurst Public Library Board of Trustees has approved issuing library cards to nonresidents living in unincorporated areas of Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 . Effective May 1, 2009 this fee will be determined using the Tax Bill Methods (23 Ad. Code 3050.60(b)) established by the Illinois State Library. In the case of rental property, the fee will be 20% of the monthly rent. This nonresident fee entitles the individual and any immediate family members living at the same address to a library card with full borrowing privileges, including reciprocal borrowing, valid for one year. All library cards sold to nonresidents shall carry the words "Non Resident" as required by law.

All Elmhurst Public Library cardholders are bound by the rules and regulations established by the Board of Trustees. An Elmhurst cardholder accepts full responsibility for all materials checked out on that card. Though there is no minimum age requirement to receive a library card, a child below high school age who applies for a library card must have the application signed by a parent or guardian who agrees to take financial responsibility for lost, damaged or overdue materials. Parents or guardians are responsible for determining the suitability of library materials for their children.