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Dear patrons,

Washington-Centerville Public Library leaders are actively monitoring the outbreak of novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19. Our interest is to continue serving your library needs while maintaining the safety and health of our staff and public.

Currently, we are employing these precautionary measures as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Public Health of Dayton and Montgomery County:

- Regularly cleaning and disinfecting high touch points (keyboards, doors, phones, etc.)
- Making hand sanitizing wipes and hand sanitizer available for public use at checkout, service desks, and computer stations
- Encouraging hygiene practices like frequent hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes with sleeve or tissue, and staying home if you are feeling ill

The Library does not currently disinfect borrowed materials when they are returned or as they are browsed or used in-house. Disinfecting these types of items and materials is not currently recommended by the CDC.

We encourage anyone, especially those in high-risk populations, to stay home if they are feeling ill or are simply concerned about potential exposure. Fortunately, the Library has a wealth of digital services accessible from home, including free <a href="Months Encourage">eBooks and eAudiobooks</a>, <a href="Months Encourage">streaming movies</a>, TV series and music, digital subscriptions to magazines, live chat with a <a href="Months Encourage">librarian</a> and <a href="Months Encourage">online learning resources</a>.

We will continue to communicate any further impacts to the Library as a result of COVID-19. Thank you for your patience as we work through this developing situation.

Sincerely,

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