

Student Cards FAQ

Library Account

Each student will have a valid DCPL library account. Each account will have two account numbers to access library materials: library barcode and Username.

Library barcode- The library barcode will be automatically assigned by the library system upon account creation. However, students will not know the library barcode unless they visit DCPL and get a physical card.

Username – Upon account creation the Username of the account will be “DCPS{StudentID}”, where StudentID represents the students unique DCPS school ID.

What if a student already has a library card?

If a student has an existing library account, their library barcode will remain unchanged. The account Username will be updated so students can access resources with that as well.

Can Students get a physical library card for their account?

Yes, students can come to the library to get a physical library card. When they receive the physical card, their account will have the same Username but the library barcode will reflect what is on their physical card.

Will the student account expire?

Student accounts will expire July 31st of the following year. If they are still enrolled in DCPS, their account will be renewed and extended to the following July 31st.

Will students have a PIN associated with their account?

Yes, the student’s pin will be their student ID. However, if the students have an existing account, their pin will remain unchanged.

Can students check-out physical material with their account?

Yes, students can check out physical material with their account. If they don’t have a physical library card, students will be required to come to the desk to check-out material. If students have a physical card, they can use that to check-out via the self-check kiosks.

Can students utilize electronic resources with their account?

Mobile app – No. Students will need a library barcode to use the mobile app. They can not use Username.

Online Catalog – Yes. Students can use either library barcode or Username to log-in and use the online catalog.

Libby – Yes, students can use Libby to place holds and check-out material using either their Username or library barcode.

Kanopy – No. Students will need to get a physical card to use Kanopy. Username will not work to login.

Library databases – Students can use either library barcode or Username to utilize the library databases.

Can students use the public computers at the library?

Students need a valid library barcode to use the public computers.