



Thayer Memorial Library

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Lancaster's Thayer Memorial Library Has *NOT* Closed

To prevent the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 in the community, the Library requires anyone with a fever, exhibiting flu-like symptoms, or asked to self-quarantine not to enter the building. Starting Monday, 16 March 2020, all Library programs will be canceled through Tuesday, 31 March 2020.

Also, due to the declared public health emergency, the Thayer Memorial has approved the following policy. If the Town of Lancaster closes all Town-wide department services due to a public health emergency, the Library will also close. Furthermore, at the Library Director's discretion, the Library may close, reduce its operating hours, or limit services temporarily if there is not sufficient staff available to maintain appropriate service levels.

Insufficient staffing levels may result in:

- Cancellation of all programs, special events, and meeting room reservations;
- Reduction of open hours if the number of employees falls below the temporary minimum level;
or
- Closure of the Library for one or more days.

In the event of closure necessitated by declared public health emergency, and depending on available staffing levels, the Library will make a reasonable effort to notify the public of Library closure or the cancellation of programs, special events, and meeting room reservations.

Please call Joe Mulé, Director, to answer any questions at 978-368-8928 Ext. 3