

PINES Library Access for Youth **Student Library Card Program**

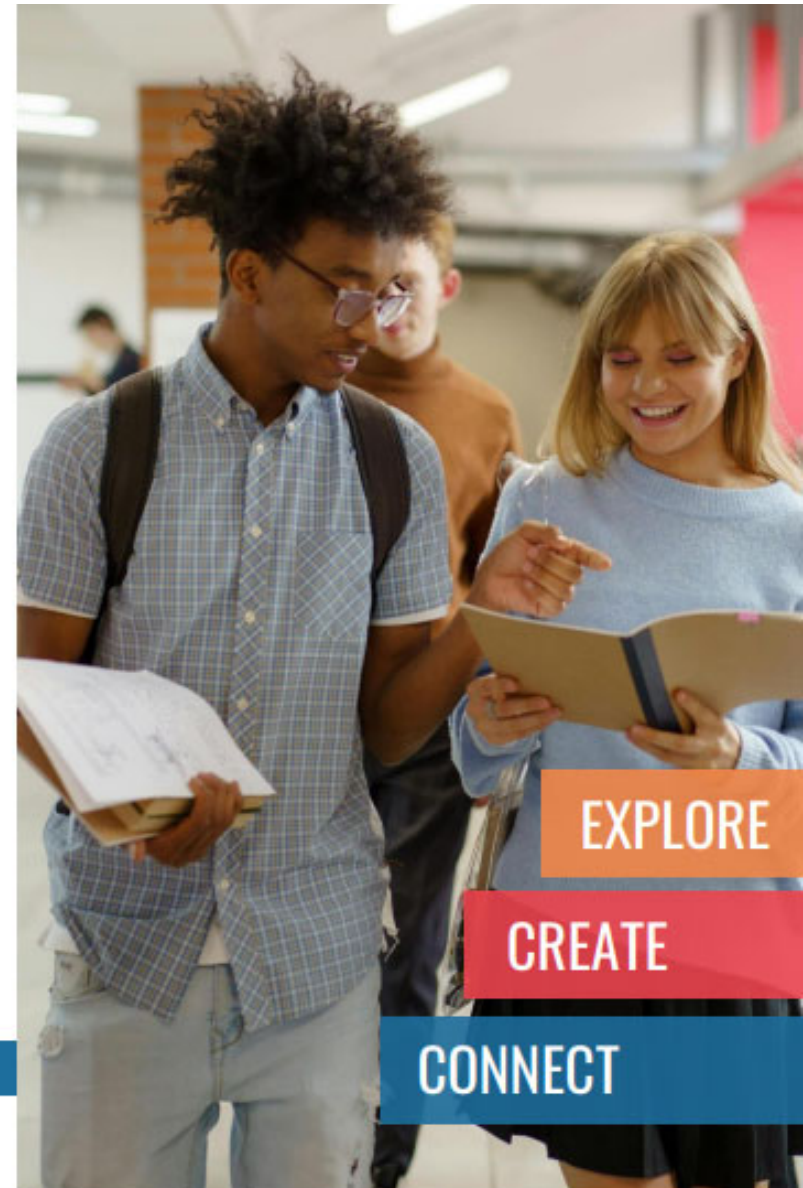


georgialibraries.org/play



Are you ready to PLAY?

- What is PLAY
- What are the benefits of PLAY
- How does the program work
- How to get started with PLAY



EXPLORE

CREATE

CONNECT



Public libraries and local school districts partner to provide the PINES Library Access for Youth (PLAY) card program, offering students fines-free access to public library materials and online resources to help them succeed in school.

Support for school success

Youth can easily connect with their public library for the tools they need to build literacy skills, as well as fun resources to help develop a lifelong love of reading and learning.



500,000+ students have access

300 PINES libraries across the state

53 school districts participating

11 million items to check out



PLAY student library card benefits

- Check out books without late fees.
- Request items at any PINES library to be delivered for free to your local library.
- Use online reading and learning programs like eRead Kids, LearningExpress Library, and Mango Languages.

Students are automatically enrolled using their student ID/lunch number as a library account.

Families can choose to opt out of the program.

Easy access

Pre-K – 12th grade students can connect from home, school, or the local library.

No late fees

Fees do apply for lost or damaged items.

PLAY supports students

PLAY creates opportunities for students of all ages.

- Children can explore learning activities, literacy resources, and homework help.
- Teens can prepare for the future with tutoring, college exam prep, and job readiness skills.



PLAY supports schools

PLAY strengthens relationships between libraries, schools, and communities.

- PLAY expands student access to resources and serves a complementary role in education.
- PLAY supports teachers with meeting standards and curriculum goals.
- The public library acts as an extension of the classroom and is available after school and during the summer months.



Get started with PLAY

- PLAY is a statewide initiative, but libraries and school systems forge local agreements for how to implement the program.
- PINES library systems sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with local school districts to participate in the program.
- With an MOU in place, the school shares limited directory information for each student with the library.



Thank you!



georgialibraries.org/play

