

Circulation Policy

Library Card Registration

- A. Application A library card application must be filled out for new library cardholders. The cardholder, or parent/legal guardian in the case of children under the age of 18 ("minor"), is responsible for all materials borrowed on the card and agrees to abide by library policies. Minors must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian with proof of identity when applying for a library card. By signing the application, the parent/legal guardian agrees to be financially responsible for all items checked out on a minor's library card and the return of the materials identified in the library account. The parent/legal guardian becomes the primary cardholder.
- B. Proof of Identity A state-issued picture ID with your current address is required. We can also accept a state-issued picture ID with official mail addressed to you at your current address (e.g. a utility bill or a tax receipt from the township or village). Minors will need to be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or a teacher on a class visit.
- C. Online Registration A resident may apply for a library card on the library's online catalog. Within 24 business hours, library staff will email the new account holder a library card number providing access to Brandon eResources. The library card expires after 90 days if proof of residency was not uploaded with the application or the patron does not visit the Library to complete the registration process.

Library Card Types

- A. Resident Any resident of or property owner in Brandon Township. Property owners who reside outside of Brandon Township need to provide proof of property ownership in the form of a tax receipt from Brandon Township or the Village of Ortonville.
- B. Home Delivery Available to residents who are homebound. To be eligible for this service, a patron must be a Brandon Township resident, have a valid Brandon library card, and complete the application for home delivery service.
- C. Student Individuals who attend Brandon K-12 schools but are not residents of Brandon Township are eligible. Students must have either a School Enrollment Verification form filled out by the school indicating that they are a student, show a current Brandon student ID card, or show a printout of their current school schedule.
- D. Works In Any individual who works or owns a business in Brandon Township. Proof of employment must be provided and may include a pay stub or work ID badge.

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- E. Purchased Available to any Michigan Resident who does not live, work, or own property in Brandon Township. \$100.00 per year
- F. TLN Members Any individual who lives in The Library Network (TLN) service area may use their home library card to set up a library account at BTPL. TLN patrons must provide their home library card and state-issued picture ID. TLN library cards are not eligible for BTPL eResources or MeLCat.
- G. MILibrary Any individual who lives in Michigan and whose home library participates in the MILibrary card program may use their home library card to set up an account at BTPL. MILibrary patrons must provide their library card with a MILibrary sticker affixed and a state-issued picture ID. MILibrary cards are not eligible for BTPL eResources or MeLCat.
- H. Temporary Available to any individual residing at the Clearwater Campground on a temporary basis. Individuals need proof of lot occupancy in the form of a receipt with the lot number on it from the campground. Temporary cards are not eligible for MeLCat.

Terms of Card

	Library Card Types	Card Expiration	Checkout Limit
Resident	Brandon Township	3 years	100 Books / 10 AV
	Home Delivery	1 year	5 items
Non-Resident	Student	1 year	100 Books / 10 AV
	Works In	1 year	100 Books / 10 AV
	Purchased	1 year	100 Books / 10 AV
	TLN Members	3 years	30 Items
	MILibrary	1 year	30 Items
	Temporary	6 months	10 Items

Renewing Library Cards

Patrons are notified two weeks before their library account expires. To renew their account, the resident must visit the library with proof of residency or submit proof of residency via email by uploading photos of the front and back of their license. Minors must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian with proof of identity and residency when renewing a library card. Borrower accounts are removed from the system 3 years from the expiration date if not renewed.

Responsibility

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Library cards or picture ID must be presented at checkout, and patrons are responsible for maintaining control over their library cards. Library cards are non-transferable, and the cardholder or parent/legal guardian is responsible for fees for materials checked out using the library card.

Lost or Stolen Card Lost library cards must be reported immediately to library staff either in person or by phone at 248.627.1460. There is no cost for replacement cards.

Blocked Accounts Additional library card accounts may not be opened by individuals if the primary cardholder is blocked.

Library Materials

- A. Checkouts All patrons checking out materials must have an active library account with no outstanding lost or damaged items. Due dates for materials are available via print or email receipt and the patron's online library account.
- B. Holds Materials placed on hold must be checked out only to the card under which the item was reserved. TLN Members, MLibrary, and Temporary cardholders are limited to 3 items on hold at a time.
- C. Renewals All library card types receive 2 renewals of checked-out materials, unless there is a hold placed on the item.
- D. Overdue Items BTPL does not assess daily overdue fines. Patrons are still responsible for returning items on or before the due date. To assist in the timely return of its materials, the library will notify patrons of overdue materials via email, text, or by phone when the materials are 3, 7, 14, and 28 days late. BTPL is not required to send notices for lost or damaged materials, and failure to receive a notice does not relieve the borrower of the responsibility to return materials when due.
- E. Lost Items Materials that exceed 30 days beyond the due date will be marked as lost, the patron's access to library services will be blocked, and the replacement cost of the item will be charged to the patron's account. Once an item is paid for, no refund will be given. Items will be replaced at the library's discretion.
- F. Damaged Material If the material is returned damaged and may not be put back into circulation, the primary cardholder is responsible for the payment of the replacement costs. Repair or replacement will be at the library's discretion.
- G. Melcat Interlibrary Loan Resident, Student, Works in, and Purchased cardholders may request items unavailable at the library from the state-wide MeLCat interlibrary loan system. Requests may be placed in person, by phone, or online at www.mel.org. A patron will be notified when a requested item arrives at the library. Items borrowed through

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interlibrary loan must be returned to BTPL. Interlibrary Loan materials that are lost or damaged will be charged to the patron's account.

- H. MeLCat Renewals Only one renewal is allowed for MeLCat books. Audiobooks may or may not be renewed; it is at the discretion of the lending library. DVDs are NOT renewable.

Fees for Public Services

Photocopier/Printer	\$.20 per page black & white (maximum printing is 100 single-sided or 50 double-sided copies) \$.20 per page color (maximum printing is 50 single-sided or 25 double-sided copies)
Fax	\$.50 per page to send
Laminator	\$1.00 per sheet up to 8.5" x 14"

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