

Dear Parents,

Watauga County Schools and the Watauga County Public Library are partnering to support students' ongoing education. We share the belief that a love of books and learning is a strong foundation for student success and we are working together to provide every Watauga County student access to books and resources found at their public library.

Beginning October 1, 2017, all Watauga County students will be able to use their Student ID number to access and borrow public library books and resources. We are calling this initiative **StudentAccess**.

Question: *What can a student do with a student ID account?*

Answer: Student ID accounts allow students to borrow e-resources and access library databases from the Watauga County Public Library. Students can also borrow up to 10 print or audio books at a time from the Watauga County Public Library collection.

Question: *How will a student use their student ID account?*

Answer: Students will use their school ID number and PIN to borrow books or access the library's services like e-books and online research. The default PIN is the last 4 digits of the student ID number

Question: *Is the student account free?*

Answer: Yes, the student account is free. There are **no overdue fines** for student accounts, but students are responsible for any fees on lost or damaged books.

Question: *How do I sign my child up for a student ID account?*

Answer: You don't need to take any action to get a student ID account for your child. All students from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 will automatically be enrolled in this program.

Question: *What if I don't want my child to have a student ID account?*

Answer: If you do not want your child to have access to library materials using a student ID account, you may opt out. See the back of this document for an opt-out form you can sign and return to your child's teacher. Be aware that students who opt out of StudentAccess will not be able to participate in classroom use of library resources unless they have a regular Watauga County Public Library card and know the full card number and PIN.

For more information, call or come into the Watauga County Public Library in Boone.

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StudentAccess Parent Opt-Out Form

If you want your child to participate in StudentAccess in the 2017-2018 academic year, then you do not need to do anything. Your child will automatically be enrolled.

If you do not want your child to participate, then please complete this parent opt-out form and return it to your child's teacher.

Child's Name (Please print)

School

Grade

Student ID Number

Parent or Guardian's Name (Print)

Phone Number

By signing this form, I understand my child will not have a student ID library account and will not be able to participate in classroom use of library resources unless they have a Watauga County Public Library card and know the full card number and PIN.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date