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Bibliothèque Raymond-Laberge is reopening its doors to the public on Monday, February 22

Châteauguay, February 19, 2021 – Ville de Châteauguay is pleased to announce that the library is reopening its doors to the public from **Monday, February 22 at noon**. Users will be able to browse the library shelves once again to choose their documents, while complying with strict hygiene and physical distancing rules. It will also be possible for residents with library membership to book a time slot to use the workspaces and public computers.

While curfew remains in force, the library will be open to the public at the following times:

- Monday from **noon to 7.00 p.m.**
- Tuesday to Thursday from **9.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.**
- Friday from **9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.**
- Saturday and Sunday from **noon to 5.00 p.m.**

Measures in force

To comply with physical distancing measures, the maximum capacity for visitors will be **40 individuals at a time**. In addition, we recommend that family visits are limited, brief and restricted to only selecting documents to borrow. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult and remain at their side at all times.

On top of the above directives, the following sanitary measures have been implemented or extended:

- **Face coverings are mandatory** for all users at all times. Face coverings must cover the nose and mouth. Scarfs are not accepted. Surgical masks are highly recommended;
- **Disinfecting your hands is mandatory** on arrival and before using computer work stations and facilities;
- A **physical distance of two metres** must be kept at all times with personnel and other users;
- No drinking or eating inside the building;
- Floor and shelf markings have been added which must be observed;
- Documents must be returned through the outdoor chutes, except for large articles (e.g., board games) which must be returned at the service desk. Documents are put under 72-hour quarantine.

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You must stay at home if:

- You have the following symptoms: cough, fever, difficulty breathing, sudden loss of smell;
- You have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 or you are awaiting the results of a screening test;
- You have returned from a trip outside the country within the last two (2) weeks.

The library team would like to thank users in advance for their cooperation. Access will be refused to any person who does not observe the sanitary measures in force.

Contactless loan service

The contactless loan service will come to an end when the library reopens. It will remain available on request only for vulnerable or quarantining individuals.

Digital resources

Digital resources and the ebook lending platform, Prenumerique.ca, continue to be available for users via the library catalogue (ville.chateauguay.qc.ca/bibliotheque/accueil). The collections are constantly growing. Take this opportunity to explore them!

For all questions, please contact the library personnel at 450 698-3080.