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**Note to Media: Please refer to this corrected news release which includes information regarding children visiting our libraries.**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Hawaii State Public Library System Access to Libraries**

*Changes take effect September 13, 2021*

HONOLULU — Effective Monday, September 13, 2021, all public libraries and offices for the Hawaii State Public Library System will implement and enforce the requirements in Executive Order No. 21-07 issued by Governor David Y. Ige. In support of the health of our communities, the following important changes will take effect on Monday, September 13, 2021:

All visitors 12 years and older to public libraries and support offices must provide the following before entering the facility:

- Proof of full vaccination (digital or hard copy of vaccination card), or
- if not fully vaccinated, a negative COVID-19 test result issued within the last 72 hours; and
- Valid photo identification

Visitors 5+ years old and up must also wear a suitable mask covering their nose, mouth and chin at all times while in the library, practice hand hygiene and are reminded to physically distance themselves from others.

Visitors that we are unable to invite inside our buildings will be provided assistance by staff at the door. Staff will make every effort to answer questions, assist with photo-copying, pull requested items and provide check out and account services for visitors who are unable to enter due to the current health and safety requirements for state facilities.

We thank our library patrons for their patience and support as our staff navigates the on-going changes in guidance and requirements from local, state, and federal authorities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The HSPLS digital doors are always open at [librarieshawaii.org](http://librarieshawaii.org). With just a library card you can download ebooks, stream movies, learn a language, read The New York Times and more!

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