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Library Launches Free Digital Access to The Washington Post, The New York Times, and 27 Magazines through Flipster, Including Essence, Time, and People en Español

Largo, Maryland – As the County's public library, the Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) is honored to serve the community by providing free access to trustworthy information, news, and cultural resources. This commitment extends into the digital environment with the Library's 85+ online resources and extensive collection of ebooks, audiobooks, streaming movies and music, and live virtual programs. The Library is proud to announce the addition of free digital access to The Washington Post, The New York Times, and 27 popular magazines. These new resources are available through the Library's online "News Suite" at pgcmls.info/news-suite. PGCMLS cardholders and Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) students can now access these major publications at home and on the go. The digital access to these major publications significantly expands the community's ability to access major newspapers and periodicals that were previously only available onsite at PGCMLS branch libraries.

"The Library's collections team is thrilled to be able to provide this level of digital access to the major newspapers and magazines that customers seek the most," said Blane Halliday, Director for Collection Strategies at PGCMLS. "Customers can now access local and national news from home without having to incur the cost of personal subscriptions."

In addition to catching up on local, national, and international news with digital newspapers, customers can read about popular culture, food, home décor, history, science, health and wellness, and more through Flipster (EBSCO), which offers free digital access to 27 major magazines. The collection includes: American History, The Atlantic, Babybug, Better Homes & Gardens, Consumer Reports Buying Guide, Eating Well, Entertainment Weekly, Essence, Fine Gardening, Fine Homebuilding, Forbes, Fortune, InStyle, Martha Stewart Living, Parents, People en Español, Scientific American, Shape, Southern Living, People, Ranger Rick, Real Simple, Time, Threads, Travel & Leisure, and Zoobooks.

How to Access New Resources from Home

Access to The Washington Post, The New York Times, and Flipster is available to all Prince Georgians with a PGCMLS library card or PGCPS LINK card number. New customers can obtain a free virtual library card at <u>pgcmls.info</u>. Instructions on how to log in to library resources with a LINK card number are available at <u>pgcmls.info</u>.

The Washington Post

- Visit pgcmls.info/news-suite and click on the Washington Post icon.
- Enter your library card or LINK card number when prompted.
- Follow instructions to create an account.
- Re-login required every 7 days to keep access.
- Users can also access content through the Washington Post's mobile app using their account credentials (Android and iOS).

The New York Times

- Visit pgcmls.info/news-suite and click on the New York Times icon.
- Enter your library card or LINK card number when prompted.
- Follow prompts to create an account.
- Re-login required after 72 hours.
- Users can also access content through the Times' mobile app with their account credentials (<u>Android</u> and <u>iOS</u>).

Flipster (EBSCO)

- Access is available online through <u>pgcmls.info/news-suite</u> or via Flipster's <u>iOS</u>, <u>Android</u>, or <u>Kindle Fire apps</u>.
- Find Prince George's County Memorial Library System in the list of libraries.
- Enter your library card or LINK card number.
- Click the Flipster icon and browse the digital magazine collection.

The <u>PGCMLS News Suite</u> also includes access to archives of major American newspapers through Major Daily Newspapers (ProQuest), approximately 300 consumer health periodicals through Health Source Consumer Edition (EBSCO), and RBdigital Magazines. Additional newspaper resources are available through the Library's <u>Online Resources</u>.

About Prince George's County Memorial Library System

The <u>Prince George's County Memorial Library System</u> (PGCMLS) helps customers discover and define opportunities that shape their lives. The Library serves the 915,000+ residents of Prince George's County, Maryland through 19 branch libraries, a <u>24/7 online library</u>, and pop-up services throughout the community. PGCMLS is a responsive and trusted community-driven organization. Programs, services, and outreach activities serve booklovers, immigrants and refugees, job seekers, children, young professionals, seniors, and families alike. The <u>Books from Birth</u> and Ready 2 Read programs make the Library the primary source of early literacy education and Kindergarten readiness programs in the County. PGCMLS' robust online offerings

include curated content collections for kids, teens, educators, Spanish speakers, and more. Special programs include the <u>D.R.E.A.M. Lab</u>, STEM Pals, and <u>3D printing</u>, which offer teens and lifelong learners with opportunities to learn cutting-edge technology and STEM skills for job readiness or personal enrichment. The Library's Laurel Branch Library received the <u>2018</u> <u>AIA/ALA Library Building Award</u> and was designated the best new public building in Maryland.

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