

A LIST OF FREE FAMILY RESOURCES

Reading	<p>Free Audible Books Listen to 100s of free children's audio books online. No sign up, no account, just click, stream and listen. https://stories.audible.com/start-listen</p> <p>Hennepin County Libraries Read an ebook or audiobook using OverDrive, the Libby app or your web browser. You will need a library card and your PIN. Register for a library card online Call for help: 612-543-5669 (KNOW).</p> <p>8 locations for Curbside Pickup https://www.hclib.org/about/curbside-pickup Beginning 4/13/2020 eight library locations are offering curbside pickup service: <u>Brooklyn Park</u>, <u>East Lake</u>, <u>Eden Prairie</u>, <u>Maple Grove</u>, <u>Plymouth</u>, <u>Ridgedale</u>, <u>Washburn</u>, and <u>Webber Park</u>. Curbside pickup is available Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.</p> <p>Scholastic Scholastic: Learn at Home Choose a grade level Day-to-day projects to keep kids reading, thinking, and growing.</p> <p>Storyline Online https://www.storylineonline.net/ Children's literacy website created by the SAG-AFTRA Foundation, which provides free storytelling videos and resources for parents and teachers to foster a love of reading in children.</p> <p>Squiggle Park https://www.squigglepark.com/ Free online game designed to instill a love of reading in students from ages 3 - 15.</p> <p>Typing Club https://www.typingclub.com/ Keyboard typing skill games for kids.</p>
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	<p>Storyboard https://www.storyboardthat.com/ Create your own story through a variety of media.</p> <p>Scratch https://scratch.mit.edu/ Program your own interactive stories. This learning tool develops important skills like problem-solving, creative thinking, and collaboration.</p> <p>Libby by Overdrive https://www.overdrive.com/apps/libby/ Access ebooks and audiobooks for free through public libraries</p> <p>Seussville www.seussville.com Read, play games, and hang out with Dr. Seuss and his friends.</p> <p>Into the Book www.reading.ecb.org Games and reading strategies</p> <p>PBS Kids https://pbskids.org/ Games, videos, and other features with PBS Kids characters</p> <p>Star Fall www.starfall.com Phonics skills and read-along stories</p>
<p>Math</p>	<p>Khan Academy https://www.khanacademy.org/ Library of standards-aligned videos, articles, practice questions and lessons for all learning levels</p> <p>Prodigy</p>

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	<p>https://play.prodigygame.com/ Math based game with levels for grades 1 - 8.</p> <p>ABC YA www.abcya.com Math and reading games</p> <p>Fun Brain www.funbrain.com Math and reading games</p> <p>Talking Math With Kids https://talkingmathwithkids.com/</p> <p>BrainPOP https://www.brainpop.com/ - for upper elementary and middle schoolers. https://jr.brainpop.com/ - for lower elementary (K-3) Engaging learning activities and videos with relevance, depth and humor</p>
<p>Science/Technology</p>	<p>National Geographic Kids! https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/ Games, videos, lessons, and other areas to explore</p> <p>Mystery Science https://mysteryscience.com/ K-5 science lessons</p> <p>Mystery Doug https://mysteryscience.com/school-closure-planning Mini (15-30 min) and full (45-60 min) videos with answers to science related questions (like why do cats purr and how deep is the ocean)</p> <p>Highlights Kids www.highlightskids.com</p>

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	<p>Read, play games, and conduct fun science experiments</p> <p>Coding for Kids https://studio.code.org/courses Learn how to code through games and fun interactive activities</p> <p>Swift Coding App for iPad or Mac devices https://www.apple.com/swift/playgrounds/ This app requires no coding knowledge, so it's perfect for students just starting out.</p> <p>19 At-Home Science Fair Projects for K to Middle School https://momypoppins.com/19-easy-science-fair-projects-fifth-grade-school</p>
<p>Other Content Areas</p>	<p>Spanish: Rockalingua https://rockalingua.com/ Online resource to help children and beginners learn Spanish through videos, singing songs, playing games and worksheets.</p> <p>Social Emotional Learning: Minecraft https://education.minecraft.net/ Open-world game that promotes creativity, collaboration, and problem-solving in an immersive environment where the only limit is your imagination.</p> <p>ELL: Grades K-2 Sight Words https://www.education.com/games/sight-words/</p> <p>ELL: Grades K-5 Sight Words/Tricky Words Worksheets https://www.education.com/worksheets/sight-words/</p> <p>ELL: BrainPOP ELL https://ell.brainpop.com/ Proficiency-based English language learning program appropriate for all ages.</p> <p>Geography: Nat Geo for Kids</p>

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	<p>https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/ Learn about geography and animals</p> <p>Music: Little Roots Music www.littlerootsmusic.com/onlineclasses Free online music classes for younger kids</p>
<p>Virtual Field Trips</p>	<p>San Diego Zoo https://kids.sandiegozoo.org/ Includes a tour, amazing videos, activities, and games.</p> <p>Monterey Bay Aquarium https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/live-cams Live streams of penguins, jellyfish, sharks, otters, and more!</p> <p>Switcheroo Zoo Watch, listen, and play games to learn about different animals</p> <p>Museums with Virtual Tours Through Google Arts and Culture https://artsandculture.google.com/partner?hl=en Tour the collections of more than 1,200 museums online through the Google Arts and Culture catalog. Browse through the online catalog for top children's museums, or favorite periods or artists.</p> <p>Yellowstone National Park https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/photosmultimedia/virtualtours.htm Tour the Mud Volcano, Mammoth Hot Springs, and so much more.</p> <p>Mars https://accessmars.withgoogle.com/ Explore the surface of Mars on the Curiosity Rover.</p> <p>Farm Food 360 https://www.farmfood360.ca/ This Canadian site offers 11 Virtual Tours of farms from minks, pigs, and cows, to apples and eggs.</p>

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	<p>U.S. Space and Rocket Museum in Huntsville, AL https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Qe5RqyMNhc See the Saturn 5 Rocket on YouTube and more on this tour thanks to a real father/son outing.</p> <p>The Great Wall of China https://www.thechinaguide.com/destination/great-wall-of-china This Virtual Tour of the Great Wall of China is beautiful and makes history come to life.</p> <p>Manufacture your Future https://www.manufactureyourfuture.com/VirtualFieldTrip/US Multiple videos/tours of factories and plants using robotics and digital technology.</p> <p>Soar with Wings https://www.soarwithwings.com/videos/virtual-field-trip A virtual field trip about bringing Social Emotional Learning to life.</p> <p>Discovery Education https://www.discoveryeducation.com/learn/tundra-connections/ Broadcasted from Churchill, Manitoba, Canada for the annual polar bear migration</p> <p>Boeing https://www.boeingfutureu.com/ Join Boeing and Discovery Education on a mission to inspire the world through aerospace innovation with an exclusive virtual field trip to historic Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas.</p>
<p>Getting Active</p>	<p>Yoga: Cosmic Kids Yoga https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga The Cosmic Kids YouTube channel will get your kids moving for a little post- or pre-study yoga break. Kids follow the poses that also help to tell a story in these short (roughly 10 to 15 minute) yoga sessions. (It also streams on Prime.)</p> <p>Go Noodle https://family.gonoodle.com/ Videos and games that encourage movement and exercise while watching/playing.</p>

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	<p>99 Sensory Activities for Any Child https://mommypoppins.com/ny-kids/99-sensory-activities-for-any-child</p>
<p>Free Lunches for Children</p>	<p>A list of free lunches for children from restaurants https://kstp.com/coronavirus/list-of-restaurants-offering-free-lunches-while-schools-are-closed/5674954/#.Xm7W0awj5qE.facebook</p> <p>Minneapolis Public Schools Free Meals at Multiple Locations https://cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/covid19 Meals are being given to students at several school locations throughout the city. Meals are given from school buses parked in school parking lots; school buildings will remain closed. Meals are available to any Minneapolis child, including those who attend charter schools and alternative schools. Northside sites include: Olson, Jenny Lind, Henry, Hmong International Academy, Cityview, Hall, and Bethune.</p>
<p>Free or Low Cost Computers and Internet</p>	<p>Free Wifi in Minneapolis http://www.minneapolismn.gov/wireless/index.htm Minneapolis is offering FREE temporary services in response to COVID-19. Click the link for more information</p> <p>PCs for People https://www.pcsforpeople.org/ Pcs for People offers a variety of services from computers, computer repairs and internet services for as low as \$15 per month.</p> <p>Internet Essentials https://apply.internetessentials.com/ Once you are an Internet Essentials customer, you have the option to purchase a laptop or desktop computer at a discounted price. If you are interested. https://www.internetessentials.com/ New Internet Essentials customers will receive two free months of Internet service, which is available to all qualified low-income households for \$9.95/month plus tax. Apply by April 30, 2020. Each household is unique. Please visit their website to learn more information or apply.</p> <p>Charter School Capital https://charterschoolcapital.org/blog/comcast-and-spectrum-offering-free-internet-wifi-to-students-during-covid-</p>

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	<p>19-closures/ Comcast, Spectrum, and Cox Offering Free Internet & WiFi to Students During COVID-19 Closures</p>
<p>Food Resources for Families</p>	<p>https://www.2harvest.org/, Neighbors Inc., Catholic Charities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, Open Arms of Minnesota, Sabathani Community Center</p>
<p>Family Resources/Support</p>	<p>Resources to support families in multiple ways for food resources, Shelter, Mental Health and other services. For more information please visit their website Interfaith Outreach, Catholic Charities Salvation Army, St. Stephen's Human Services, Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota</p> <p>United Way 211 https://www.211unitedway.org/ Connects individuals and families directly to organizations that can help</p>