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Appomattox Regional Library System Announces Fine-Free Policy Effective July 1, 2023

Hopewell, VA - June 2023 - Have you been holding onto an overdue library book from the Appomattox Regional Library System? No need to worry anymore! The Appomattox Regional Library System (ARLS) is thrilled to announce that starting July 1, 2023, it will be eliminating all overdue fines.

Joining a growing trend among Virginia library systems, ARLS is dedicated to enhancing accessibility for its patrons. This exciting change means that library card holders in Hopewell, Prince George, and Dinwiddie can now enjoy borrowing materials from any of our seven locations without the burden of overdue fines. Whether you want to read, watch, or listen to items from our extensive collections, you can do so without fear of incurring late fees.

ARLS has made this policy shift based on the understanding that the importance of accessibility far outweighs the minimal revenue generated by fines. However, it's important to note that charges for damaged or lost items will still apply. It's also worth mentioning that items borrowed from the Petersburg Public Library System may have different loan periods and fines in place.

The Appomattox Regional Library System serves the communities of Hopewell, Prince George, and Dinwiddie in Virginia, offering a wide range of resources, educational programs, and engaging events for all ages. With seven convenient locations, ARLS is committed to promoting literacy, lifelong learning, and community enrichment. For those seeking additional information on upcoming events and available resources at the Appomattox Regional Library System, please visit our official website at www.arls.org or contact us directly at 804-458-6329.

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