What is the Bookmobile?
The Bookmobile is a mobile library service from the Iowa City Public Library (ICPL). In addition to a collection of new and popular books and DVDs on the Bookmobile, you can check out anything from ICPL’s collection by placing a hold and requesting pick-up at the Bookmobile.

How do I check out books?
Anyone who has an ICPL Library Card can check out materials at the Iowa City Public Library Bookmobile.

How do I get a Library Card?
Most Iowa residents may obtain an ICPL Library Card on the Bookmobile or at the Downtown Library. Register for your card in person or pre-register online at icpl.org/cards. A photo ID and Iowa address verification are required.

How do I return books?
You can return your books at any of the Bookmobile’s weekly stops (check icpl.org/bookmobile for this season’s schedule), at any of our remote bookdrops, or at the Iowa City Public Library.

Can I pick up my Holds and ILLs at the Bookmobile?
Yes, you can! When you ask for a Hold or InterLibrary Loan, let us know if you’d like to pick it up at the Bookmobile.

Where do I find schedule updates?
Bookmobile schedule info. is available at icpl.org/bookmobile or by calling the Library during regular hours. Bookmobile services are canceled in case of severe weather or on days when Iowa City schools are closed due to weather.
Introducing Fine Free Children’s and Young Adult Materials at ICPL!

Starting June 1, 2019, all Children’s and Young Adult materials will no longer accrue late fines.

What does this mean?

What is the difference between a fine and a replacement fee?
Fines are charges for items not returned on the due date. Replacement fees are for library materials that are lost or returned damaged. You will still be responsible for replacement fees for items damaged or not returned.

I’m 8 years old, what if my mom checks out her books on my card? Will I still get a fine if she returns her book late?
Yes. Late fines are assessed for all adult materials regardless of the card holder’s age. Only materials in the Children’s or Young Adult collections are fine free.

What happens if I forget to return materials?
While library materials in the Children’s and Young Adult collections will not accrue fines, a replacement cost will be assessed if an item is not returned soon after its due date. Once the item is returned, the replacement cost will be waived.

Will I still receive reminders about returning materials?
A reminder email will be sent two days before an item’s due date and twice after its due date if we have your email address. If we don’t have your email address, we will send two notices by mail. Items not returned soon after the due date will be considered lost and a bill will be sent for replacement costs.

See icpl.org/no-fines for more information.