



**HOWARD COUNTY
LIBRARY SYSTEM**
Public Education for All



HCPSS students now have a new way to access Howard County Library eContent in the classroom, at home, or anywhere they need to do homework or research. Howard County Library System (HCLS) and the Howard County Public School System partnered to offer the A+ Student Account to deliver the library system's extensive catalog of electronic resources directly to students.

All HCPSS students (Pre-K–12) will receive their A+ Student account number at the beginning of the school year. Barcode and pin will remain the same from year to year. Students gain immediate access to all HCLS eContent by using the A+ Student account number to login via the HCPSS.me portal.

The new A+ Student account also provides students with full customer privileges at all HCLS branches. While previously issued HCLS cards may still be used at library branches, the A+ Student account enables students to use just one number for all their homework and research needs.

Parents may opt out of the program by contacting Melissa Daggett, HCPSS Library Media Coordinator, at melissa_daggett@hcpss.org. If you wish to opt out, please include your name, student's name, and the student's school.

New accounts will be activated during September. Students will receive information about accessing their credentials from their school library media specialists.

In Summer, HCLS offers *Kindergarten, Here We Come* classes for children entering Kindergarten in the fall. This class includes stories and activities to help mark that all important first day. While registration is required, this is an optional class to help build your child's excitement to attend Kindergarten.

Visit <http://hclibrary.org/new-a-main/parents/> for more information.

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