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### **RECIPROCAL BORROWING**

Grayslake Area Public Library District's participation in RAILS' (Reaching Across Illinois Library System) regional library system enables Illinois public library cardholders to visit other public libraries throughout the state and check out materials using their home library card (reciprocal borrowing). Additionally, the library accepts library cards in good standing issued by public libraries in other states for reciprocal borrowing use.

A patron registering their reciprocal library card must present their reciprocal library card as well as the same identification as when registering for a resident card, per Policy 303a, RESIDENT LIBRARY CARDS. Patrons that are members of the CCS consortium with valid reciprocal cards will not need to register at the Grayslake library.

If their library card from their home library is not valid, the patron must validate their card at their home library before registering or renewing its reciprocal privileges. Reciprocal library cards are subject to the circulation rules in Appendix A: Chart of Circulation Rules, Fines and Fees. Grayslake library card holder holds and requests take priority over reciprocal holds and requests. CCS reciprocal cards may be subject to priority rules from their home library.

If a home library considers a patron's account in good standing who owes library fines or fees to another library in excess of GAPLD's threshold for blocking a card but does not exceed their home library's threshold and the card is still considered valid by the issuing library, the Grayslake library will also consider the card to be valid.

Inactive library cards in good standing are deleted every 3 years.

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