Resource Guide
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Collections

Empowering Lifelong Learning
Welcome to the Collections Resource Guide

Collections are the foundation of the public library. Access to reading material, open to all, without cost or restriction was the reason public libraries were created. While today’s modern public library is a vibrant community gathering place where people can find help navigating their information needs through collections, programs, and services, the collection is still a vital part of what we provide. This guide has been created to provide you with a comprehensive listing of our collection. There are so many types of materials in our collection that it is sometimes hard for our public to know about all of them. Please take a few minutes to look through this guide. You might be surprised by what you discover.

If you would like more information about our programming, pick up a copy of our Carlisle Institute for Lifelong Learning booklet (Adults) or our Growing Learner’s Library booklet (Youth and Families).

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Executive Director

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Monday through Friday 10am to 9pm
Information Services and Youth Services Departments close at 8:45pm. Library doors are locked at 8:55pm.

Saturday 10am to 5pm
Information Services and Youth Services Departments close at 4:45pm. Library doors are locked at 4:55pm.

Sunday 1pm to 5pm
Information Services and Youth Services Departments close at 4:45pm. Library doors are locked at 4:55pm.

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Print Collections

Fiction
Enjoy a good story from our extensive fiction collection. We have books for youth including board books, picture books, easy readers, and chapter books located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department. Teen fiction is located in our Teen Room. Adult fiction is located in our main area of the first floor. Whether you like historical fiction, horror, mystery, sci-fi/fantasy, suspense/thrillers, westerns, or just a great story, our fiction collection is sure to have something that will spark your imagination and take you to a whole new world.

Graphic Novels
Graphic novels are books made up of comics content. They are essentially visual stories but are not considered comic books. The library has graphic novel collections for adults (first floor), teens (Teen Room), and youth readers (Youth Services Department located on the second floor).

Large Print Collection
Large print books are printed with a 14 point or larger text to allow for easier reading. The library has an extensive collection of large print books including fiction and non-fiction titles. These are located in the main area of the first floor.

Law Library
The Bosler Memorial Library is the home of the Cumberland County Law Library. This collection contains legal publications for legal research as well as a Layman’s Law Library for the everyday user. In addition, look for the description of Westlaw Next in the Online Resources Collections section of this guide. The Cumberland County Law Library is located on the second floor in the Information Services Department.

Magazines and Newspapers
The library carries a wide range of adult and youth magazines. Interest areas include (but are not limited to) animals, arts/crafts, automotive, beer/wine, cooking, current events, genealogy, health/wellness, home/garden, news/economics, pop culture, science, sports, video game news, and educational magazines for youth. The library maintains back issues of most magazines for about one year and all issues are available to check out. Magazines for adults are located on the first floor by the windows facing West Street. Magazines for youth are located in the Youth Services Department on the second floor.

The library offers a selection of local, regional and national newspapers including newspapers on specific topics. Newspapers may not be checked out but are available on the second floor in the Information Services Department for in-library reading.
Non-Fiction Collections
Thirsting for knowledge? Doing research or homework? Looking for the next great recipe? The library’s non-fiction collections are full of information on a broad range of topics. On the shelves in Dewey Decimal order, these books contain a wealth of information waiting for you to discover. Chances are that if you want to learn about a subject, we have a book for you. The library’s adult non-fiction collection is located on the second floor in the Information Services Department. The library’s teen non-fiction collection is located on the first floor in the Teen Room. The library’s youth non-fiction collection is located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

Parent Collection
The library offers a collection of books geared just to parents on topics including adoption, challenges of children rearing, child development, family activities, making homemade baby food, and more. This collection is located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

Reference and Local History Collections
The Library’s reference and local history collections provide valuable resources for patrons. These collections are located on the second floor in the Information Services area.

Our reference collection contains research-oriented materials such as specialized encyclopedias, dictionaries, handbooks, atlases, directories, and statistical manuals. Representative topics addressed in the reference collection include religion, philosophy, psychology, education, science, arts, literature, history, biography, languages, medicine, health, sports, and business. These materials are a great starting point for answering many questions or beginning a research project.

Our local history collection consists of materials pertaining to Cumberland County. Most items are printed materials, but the collection does include a few DVDs. Biographical information, town histories, as well as organizational and educational histories, including the Carlisle Indian School can be found in this collection.

RPG (Role-Playing Games)
Bosler’s Role-Playing Game collection includes rulebooks, sourcebooks, and adventures for the Adventures in Middle-earth, Call of Cthulhu, Doctor Who, Dungeons & Dragons (Fifth Edition), The One Ring, Pathfinder, Shadowrun, Star Wars (Age of Rebellion, Edge of the Empire, and Force and Destiny) and Starfinder roleplaying game systems. The RPG collection is housed on the first floor next to the sci-fi/fantasy collection.
Audio Collections

**Books on CD**
The library provides a wide range of books on CD for adults, teens, and youth. This collection contains both fiction and non-fiction items for your listening pleasure. Adult fiction titles are located on the first floor in the Audio/Visual area. Adult non-fiction titles are located on the second floor in the Information Services Department with the adult non-fiction print collection. Teen titles are located on the first floor in the Teen Room. Youth titles are located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

**iBOS**
iBOS are iPod shuffles preloaded with audiobooks. They are available to check out and enjoy. Just take the case off the shelf, bring it to the desk and the library staff will place the iPod and charger in the case and off you go. These are located on the first floor near the books on CD.

**Music CDs**
The library offers a collection of music CDs for both adults and youth. These collections contain a range of music genres including music for children. The adult music CD collection is located on the first floor in the Audio/Visual area. The youth music CD collection is located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

**Playaways**
Playaways are pre-loaded audiobooks that give you the portability and freedom to listen to audiobooks anytime, anywhere. The library has Playaways for adults (located on the first floor in the Audio/Visual area) and teens (located on the first floor in the Teen Room).

**Visual Collections**

**DVD and Blu-Ray**
The library has an extensive collection of DVDs and Blu-Rays for adults and youth. The adult collection is divided into TV Shows, films, and non-fiction. The youth collection contains entertainment and educational titles. Adult TV shows and films are located on the first floor in the Audio/Visual area. Adult non-fiction titles are located on the second floor in the Information Services Department with the non-fiction print collection. Youth DVDs are located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

**Playaway Views**
The library has a collection of Playaway Views for youth located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department. Playaway Views are all-in-one video players that make popular content accessible in a simple, portable and durable format. Each player comes pre-loaded with multiple videos making it simple to access digital movies, shows, educational programming and more without the need for DVDs, downloads or an additional player. The device features simple controls, easy for young children to use, and an external speaker as well as a headphone jack. The player comes pre-loaded and is rechargeable.
Technology Collections

Videogames and Consoles
The Bosler Library houses popular video games and consoles for use by the public.

Video games in the collection are for the PS3, PS4, Nintendo 3DS, Nintendo Switch, Wii, Wii U, Xbox 360, and Xbox One gaming platforms.

Video game consoles available in the collection are the Atari Flashback (version 6 and 8), Atari Flashback Portable, Nintendo NES Classic Edition, Sega Genesis Classic, Sega Genesis Portable, and the Super Nintendo Classic.

The video game collection is located next to the DVD collection on the first floor of the library.

In addition, look for gaming magazines in the Magazines and Newspapers section of this guide.

Playaway Launchpads
Playaway Launchpads are pre-loaded devices with content for adults and youth. They are designed with a simple, easy-to-use interface, and are 100% secure. There is no download time and no need for Wi-Fi. Access to powerful content is as simple as turning on each device — anytime, anywhere.

Adult Playaway Launchpads are located on the first floor in the Audio/Visual area and youth Playaway Launchpads are located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

Wi-Fi Hotspots
The library’s collection includes mobile Wi-Fi Hotspots available for 14-day and 30-day loan periods. These Hotspots provide the user with access for multiple devices. Please be aware that these devices are in high demand and there can be significant waits. Please place a hold on this item in order to get one.

Interested in learning all the ways you can give to Bosler? Check out our 2018 Opportunities in Giving catalog! This catalog lists many of the donation opportunities available: Name a Day, Tribute Books, event sponsorships, and much more. You can pick up a copy of this catalog at the Library or visit www.boslerlibrary.org and click on “Support.”

PA Forward’s Information Literacy Initiative envisions a Pennsylvania where citizens know how to use online resources and current technology to improve their education, to enhance their job skills, and to fully participate in a digital society.
Online Resource Collections

Databases
Through the Cumberland County Library System, Bosler Memorial Library users have access to a wide range of online databases. You can access these through our website by hovering over the “Collections & Services” option on the top menu bar and selecting “Databases.” From “AP Images” to Driver’s Test Practice, “Data USA” to “Medline Plus,” there are just too many to mention. If you haven’t explored this rich area of our collection, we encourage you to take a look.

E-Book and E-Audiobook Collections through Overdrive
Access thousands of e-books and e-audiobooks through Overdrive. Much like our material collections, you can check these out and place holds on them. Use the Libby App for easier access and to manage your materials.

Video Streaming through Kanopy
Cumberland County residents can now access a wide range of foreign films, documentaries, and classics through the popular on-demand film streaming service Kanopy. Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device, or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast, or Roku. Loan periods allow patrons three days of unlimited viewing per film and simultaneous use. Videos are also accessible with captions, transcripts, and compatible with assistive technologies.

Westlaw Next
Part of the Cumberland County Law Library, Westlaw Next provides access to information resources including more than 40,000 databases of case law, state and federal statutes, administrative codes, newspaper and magazine articles, public records, law journals, law reviews, treatises, legal forms and other information resources. This database can be found in the same location as the other online resources on the library’s website (see Databases section of this guide).
Special Collections

Fast Track Books and Fast Track Films

Fast Track Films and books provide you with an opportunity to get the most popular films or books faster. All of the titles you find here are also available for free in the library’s regular collection. But if you don’t want to wait, and the item is on the shelf, you can get it right away. These items are not available to place on hold and cannot be renewed, so if it is here, it is available. For a $2.00 rental fee (sales tax included) you can check out a Fast Track Film for 3 days or a Fast Track Book for 14 days. Overdue fees apply.

Get on the Fast Track today!

Kits

Our kit collection includes books accompanied by a CD, which allow the reader to hear the story being read as they follow along in the book. Some titles may also include other supplementary content on the accompanying disc. Our kit collection includes fiction and nonfiction titles, as well as beginning reader titles. This collection is not only great for children, but can also be beneficial for adults learning English as a second language as a way to connect the written word with the pronunciation of it.

Kits can be found in the Youth Services Department on the second floor.

Puppets

Who doesn't enjoy a puppet show? Puppets are wonderful toys that stimulate the imagination of children, encouraging role-playing as well as building empathy for others. We have a large collection of puppets available for checkout, allowing children to experience the fun and social skill building at home as well as here at the Library in our puppet stage. Parents, please note that all puppets are cleaned after each checkout, making them a safe as well as fun option for your family. Puppets are located in the Youth Services Department on the second floor.

PA Forward’s Civic and Social Literacy Initiative envisions a Pennsylvania where citizens have the knowledge and skills they need to improve their lives, to participate and contribute effectively to their communities, and to connect with one another through discourse.
Did you know the Cumberland County Library System and its member libraries offer NextReads newsletters? NextReads delivers reading recommendations directly to you on a variety of genres or topics through your email address. To sign up for newsletters, visit www.cumberlandcountylibraries.org/nextreads.

Topics and genres available:
- Armchair Travel
- Audiobooks
- Biography and Memoir
- Business and Personal Finance
- Christian Fiction
- Fantasy
- Fantasy and Science Fiction
- Fiction A to Z
- Healthy, Wealthy and Wise
- Historical Fiction
- History and Current Events
- Home, Garden, and DIY
- Horror
- Kids’ Books
- Mystery
- Nature and Science
- Kids’ Books
- Popular Culture
- Romance
- Science Fiction
- Spirituality and Religion
- Teen Scene
- Thrillers and Suspense
- Tween Reads
- New York Times Fiction Bestsellers
- New York Times Nonfiction Bestsellers

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The Bookery
Located in the original Library Building, the Bookery offers a wide range of used books at reasonable prices.

Stop in and discover a treasure today.

HOURS
Tuesday & Thursday
10am to 7pm
Friday & Saturday
10am to 4pm

Proceeds from Bookery sales help fund Library programs and services as well as other projects of the Friends of Bosler.

PA Forward’s Financial Literacy initiative envisions a Pennsylvania where citizens are informed consumers and individuals, small businesses, and organizations contribute to the economic vitality of their community through innovation, entrepreneurship, and economic development.
Special Collection Areas

Bosler Free Libraries
The Bosler Free Libraries are small structures that are stocked with books and located around Carlisle for community members to access at any time.

- Carlisle YWCA
  (College and G Streets – library located at front entrance)
- Project SHARE’s Farm Stand
  (Pitt St. at Lincoln – library located off Pitt Street entrance)
- Hope Station
  (149 W. Penn – library located at entrance to Hope Station)
- Butcher Tot Lot/Chestnut Avenue
  (library located in South East corner of park)
- Biddle Mission Park
  (311 E. North St. – library located by entrance way)
- Corner of Pitt and North Streets
- Corner of Penn and Bedford Streets

Because the Bosler Free Libraries are designed to increase access to reading materials, they can be accessed at any time. Many of them are located outdoors in publicly accessible areas. Community members are encouraged to stop at the Libraries and take out a book. A library card is not required and due dates are not assigned. Readers are encouraged to return books or replace them with other books they would like to share. Library staff monitor and re-stock the Libraries on a monthly basis.

In addition to the community-based locations, the Library houses its own Bosler Free Library. Located just inside the front entrance and around the corner to the right, the Read and Return shelf allows library patrons to borrow books and return them on their own without using a library card. In addition to accessing the collection, visitors can pick up a brochure outlining the Read and Return Program and the Bosler Free Library locations.

Classic Readers Lounge
Located on the second floor in the Information Services Department, the Classic Readers Lounge contains a collection of classic novels. These books are available to be read in the library or can be checked out. Haven’t read a classic lately? Check out this special collection.

PA Forward’s Health Literacy Initiative envisions a Pennsylvania with active citizens able to manage their own and their family’s well-being, empowered to be effective partners with their healthcare providers, and living longer, more productive lives.
Special Collection Areas

New Book Shelves
New books that are less than six months old are located on the new book shelves. Adult new books (both fiction and non-fiction) are located on the first floor. Youth new books (all types) are located on the second floor in the Youth Services Department.

NOTE: Please be aware that new books are in high demand throughout the Cumberland County Library System and frequently have holds on them before they ever arrive in the library. It can take a long time for them to actually appear on the new shelf. We strongly recommend that you place holds on any new books that you are looking for specifically.

Youth Holiday Area
Are you looking for a great story to share with your child or in a classroom for a holiday? Then you'll want to visit our collection of holiday picture books in the Youth Services area. Available all year long, these books are shelved in their own special display area and are just waiting to go home with you to help create some special holiday memories with your family. Featuring both classic stories, new tales, and old and new favorite characters, this collection covers religious and secular holidays throughout the year. Whether your favorite holiday is Valentine's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah or Kwanzaa, you'll be sure to find a great story to help you celebrate in our Holiday Book Collection.

The Honorable George E. Hoffer Art Gallery & Atrium
The Carlisle Arts Learning Center exhibits artwork created by their members in the gallery adjacent to the main entrance of Bosler Library. The art is changed every other month and is available for purchase by the public. The artist's name, title of work and price are listed for each piece of art.