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Borrow a laptop or tablet at your Library and get connected

Keeping connected can be expensive – there's the cost of technology, not to mention the bill for internet services.

However, King Township Public Library (KTPL) realizes that being connected opens up a whole new world of information and benefits. That's why KTPL is launching a new in-house laptop and tablet loaning program. There are numerous benefits to this program including:

- reduced wait times for computer work stations
- users have a variety of devices to choose from and can select their personal preference
- increased flexibility and mobility no longer restricted to dedicated computer work stations - can set up anywhere in the building
- handy peripherals such as cases, adaptors, keyboards, headphones, etc.
- the convenience of not having to bring your own device, except for a personal USB storage drive
- the opportunity to experiment and test out different products prior to purchasing
- free access to the Library's Wi-Fi
- laptops offer the full suite of Microsoft Office products
- the service is available at all four KTPL branches

"There is a noticeable trend of people moving away from dedicated computer stations, with a growing preference towards mobile, hand held devices," says Rona O'Banion, KTPL's Chief Executive Officer. "In addition to providing our members with more options and increased flexibility, this program has increased our technology offerings, enhancing the Library's capacity and ability to better serve the residents of the Township."

Deputy CEO Sharon Bentley explains how the program works "Devices are loaned out on a first come-first serve basis, for **in-library** use only and can be borrowed for a 2 hour period and renewed once, as long as no one is waiting. We are also extending the service to children, providing their parents or legal guardians agree in writing to take full responsibility of the use of the devices by their children."



All you need to access this program is to ensure your KTPL library card is in good standing and visit any of our locations to complete and agree to the conditions laid out in the *Laptop/Tablet User Agreement*. You can also visit our website at <u>kinglibrary.ca</u> for additional information on this exciting new program.

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