



Dear Parents or Guardians:

Lynden School District and Whatcom County Library System have a partnership called ConnectEd that will give K-12 students access to the best educational resources and learning materials in our libraries and on the internet.

Through the partnership, Lynden School District student IDs will be used as WCLS library card numbers, allowing students to:

- Borrow 4 items at a time, such as books, magazines, audiobooks from any WCLS location
- Access digital content including eBooks and eAudiobooks
- Incur no overdue fines for items
- Use computers with filtered internet access at any of the library locations
- Access other educational resources, such as online encyclopedias, using the internet from school or home
- Reserve public library books using a school ID account

This new library access is in addition to, and separate from, a personal WCLS library card that a student may already have.

To enable the use of a student ID as a library card number, Lynden School District will share the following student information with WCLS:

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| • Student ID | • Date of Birth |
| • Student Name (First & Last) | • Home Address |
| • Student Address | • Home Telephone Number |
| • School Name | • Parent Email Address |
| • Grade Level | |

No other information will be shared. Information shared with WCLS will not be shared or used outside of partnership activities.

If you would like your child to access public library resources using his/her school ID, **you do not need to do anything.** Your child will automatically be enrolled. **To opt your student out of public library access using his or her school ID, please complete the form below and turn it in to your school office by September 15. School secretary/office will send your Opt-Out to the District Office to process.**

We look forward to joining with you in this partnership, which will give students easier access to books and other resources that will help them succeed! You can read more about the partnership at www.wcls.org/student-library-cards.

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Opt-out form for the ConnectED partnership between Whatcom County Library System and Lynden School District: If you do **NOT** want your child to participate, then please print, complete, and return this opt-out form **each** school year to your child's **school office**, by September 15. **Your school office will then submit this form to the District Office.** Every student is approved/enrolled unless **opted out annually by parent/guardian.**

Child's Name: *(Please print, First + Last Name)*: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Name *(please print)*: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____