



## News Release

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## Good News for Tumwater Public School Students

Spread the word! New laptops in the library  
will help students study and learn.

**There are a 15 laptops now available to check out at the Tumwater Timberland Library, loaded with academic software, exclusively for Tumwater School District students to use for homework and school projects.**



The new service is a partnership between the Tumwater School District (TSD), which bought and provides the laptops, and the Timberland Regional Library (TRL), which manages and check outs the equipment. The program began this summer and will be evaluated at the end of June 2018.

### Here's how it works:

- Students with TSD identification and a Timberland library card can check out a TSD laptop, connect to the free Wi-Fi and work on school projects.
- Laptops must be used in the library only.
- TSD technicians will provide tech support.
- TSD may replace lost or damaged chromebooks depending on available inventory.

### Here's what it means:

For today's students, computers and internet access are essential academic tools. Without them, learning and achievement may suffer and students can become discouraged. While TSD provides most students a laptop to use while at school (some students check them out to bring home), the challenge is not all students have the technology and access they need at home.

This new partnership can help students close technology gaps and navigate their way to success - with help from local educators and librarians.

The **Tumwater Timberland Library** is located at 7023 New Market St. For more information, contact the library at (360) 943-7790, or visit [TRL.org](http://TRL.org).

Timberland Regional Library provides for the information, reading and lifelong learning needs of the Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific and Thurston county public at 27 community public libraries and six library service partner locations. The library system is funded mainly by local property taxes. Anyone needing special accommodations to participate in a library's programs may contact the library one week in advance.

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