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2.1 Library Cards-Eligibility Policy

All residents of the City of Emmetsburg, Iowa are eligible for library services at the Emmetsburg Public Library.

By contractual agreement with Palo Alto County, Iowa, rural residents of Palo Alto County, Iowa are also eligible for library services on the same basis as City residents.

The Emmetsburg Public Library also honors current valid library cards from any other library in Iowa participating in Iowa Library Services' Open Access reciprocal borrower program.

The Emmetsburg Public Library Board of Trustees may lawfully contract with other cities to provide library services. In such circumstances, residents of contracting cities will receive the same free library services as contracting rural Palo Alto County residents.

Students, faculty and staff of Iowa Lakes Community College have full borrowing privileges at Emmetsburg Public Library by virtue of the 28E agreement existing among the Iowa Lakes Community College, the Emmetsburg Public Library and the City of Emmetsburg.

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