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The Burleson Public Library's hours will change Sept. 30.

The changes affect Thursday and Saturday access to the library. Hours are currently 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday. The hours that will go in to effect on Sept. 30 are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday. The library is closed on Sundays.

Sara Miller, interim library director, said their busiest day is Monday. By cutting back Thursday's hours from 8 p.m. to 6 p.m., it allows staff to extend Saturday's hours from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The number of hours the library is open does not change from the current 54 hours a week.

The Burleson Public Library is located at 248 S.W. Johnson Ave. Library cards are available for free if you live or own property within the city limits of Burleson. Non-resident cards cost \$25 for one year of unlimited checkouts from the Burleson Library only (single user) or \$50 for one year of unlimited checkouts from the Burleson Library only (family membership). Opportunities are available for non-residents to qualify for a library card through volunteer service to the library.

The 17,000 square-foot library was dedicated in 1995. Burleson's population is 39,010. The library's collection includes 11 eReaders, 1,960 audiobooks, 54,427 books, 1,138 music CDs, 227 Braille books, 4,801 DVDs, and 1,518 magazines for a grand total of 64,082. Access to materials goes beyond Burleson. The library is a member of the MetrOPAC, which gives Burleson Public Library card holders access to materials from 21 other participating libraries. In August 2013, the Burleson library circulated 31,366 items.

The local library offers books, ebooks and eaudiobooks, music, DVDs, pre-loaded e-readers, and magazines; adult programs (computer classes, ESL classes and special programs); teen programs (Life Skills class, Teen Anime/Manga Club, Teen Game Day, Teen Gaming Society and Teen Home School Book/Writers Club); children's Story Time; computer stations and free Wi-Fi; genealogy resources (Ancestry Library edition); the LearningExpress Library (practice tests, exercises, skill-building courses and more); eSequels (readers guide to novels in a series); Mango Languages (learn a foreign language online); Jobview (self-service employment application); Resume Maker; and Scholarship Database (find scholarships that match your goals, interests and personal characteristics).

The library is the place to be. It will be hosting Micro A-Kon 2013, the free 2nd annual miniature Anime convention, Saturday, Oct. 19, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

For more about the library go to [www.burlesonlibrary.com](http://www.burlesonlibrary.com) or call 817-426-9210.