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Dear Esther Goodes,

(East Chicago, IN) In an effort to support students this school year, the East Chicago Public Library will be offering free Wi-Fi and eLearning workspace for East Chicago students K-12. Starting Monday, August 17, specific workspace areas will be delegated specifically for eLearning students who may not have access to Wi-Fi at home. Access to Wi-Fi will be available at both of our library locations, 2401 E. Columbus Dr. (Main Library) and 1008 W. Chicago Ave. (Pastrick Branch). Laptop and computers will not be provided so please bring your device to connect to our wireless system. If any assistance is needed with connection or set up, a staff member will be happy to assist you. Lunch will not be provided for students that utilize the library as a workspace.

Our staff will provide the best support while following pandemic precautions that include social distancing and sanitization of workspaces. Building and workstation capacities have been set up as a safety provision as well. We currently have a capacity of twenty (20) workspaces at the Main Library and thirty-two (32) workspaces at the Pastrick Branch. The capacity numbers are subject to change. By instituting eLearning protocols, eLearning students must arrive at the library before their start time. This will allow enough time to log in effectively and resolve any computer issues that may arise.

Our ultimate goal is to provide a safe environment that is conducive to learning for students. Our Wi-Fi and workspaces will be designated for this need directly. This service will help assist the East Chicago community to accommodate this newly constructed online method of learning.

For any questions, please contact me at the library at 219.397.2453 ext. 22.

Yours Truly,

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