

A note on **textbooks**

The Twinsburg Public Library does not, in general, purchase textbooks for use by its patrons.

If you are looking for a textbook, but don't want to pay bookstore prices, you have a lot of options.

If you don't want to pay, try OhioLINK (details inside). Be aware, though, that you may only be able to check out your book for a few weeks before you must return it.

For cheaper books, try the internet! There are many websites that will sell new and/or used textbooks at a substantial discount from the bookstore's price. Try amazon.com, half.com, alibris.com, abebooks.com, or a search for "discount textbooks." If you need to purchase multiple textbooks, try an aggregator site like bigwords.com — it will give you the cheapest price across all of the stores mentioned above and more.

How to get
any item you want
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A guide especially for college students

Items held at the Twinsburg Public Library

First things, first. Does the Twinsburg Public Library own the item you're looking for? Check the library catalog either in the library or at the library website: www.twinsburglibrary.org.

If the item is in the library: Great! Find it on the shelf (or have a librarian help you find it) and check it out.

Items held at **other CLEVNET libraries**

If the library doesn't have the item (either doesn't own it or has it checked out), you can place a hold on it. Placing a hold means that an available copy from any CLEVNET library will be sent to the Twinsburg Public Library for you to pick up. Holds can take anywhere from a couple days to several weeks to come in, depending on the popularity and availability of the item. If you need the item for class, make sure you place a hold on it at least a couple weeks in advance.

Items held at the Cuyahoga County Public Library

If you have a Greater Access Card (these are multi-colored and have a number on the back starting with a 2), you can also check out materials from the Cuyahoga County Public Library System. You can access their catalog at www.cuyahogalibrary.org.

Items checked out from CCPL **cannot** be picked up or returned at the Twinsburg Public Library, and the TPL does not keep any information about your account with the CCPL. Likewise, you cannot return or pick up Twinsburg Public Library and CLEVNET materials at any Cuyahoga County Public Library.

Items held at **OhioLINK participating libraries**

OhioLINK allows users of libraries at Ohio colleges and universities to check out materials from these same libraries around the state. You can use your college library catalog to find out what materials are available at other college and have them sent to your academic library.

If you are a distance learner, live closer to the public library than your college library, or are more comfortable using the public library, you can request these materials using your Greater Access Card at the Cuyahoga County Public Library. The nearest CCPL library for requesting and checking out OhioLINK materials is the Solon branch, located at 34125 Portz Parkway, Solon, Ohio 44139.

Items held at **any other library**

If you cannot find the item you need through any of these sources, the Twinsburg Public Library can try to find what you're looking for at another library. If the other library allows it, the TPL may be able to borrow the item for you. There may be a small charge for this service depending on the lending library's policies. Ask a librarian at the reference desk for help if you think you need to request an item in this manner.