Welcome.

This video will introduce you to the Saint Martin Parish Library's website, stmartinparishlibrary.org.

To begin, please notice that our website offers an accessibility menu. This menu is located at the bottom left corner of the page. Clicking on the icon will open the menu. In the menu, you will see options such as changing the contrast or changing text size.

Next, let's scroll through the homepage for a brief overview.

Notice that main navigation buttons are located at the top of the website.

Below the main navigation buttons, you will see a banner which highlights current items of interest.

You can use the right and left arrow buttons to scroll through the banner highlights.

Below the banner, we have quick access links to various topics and items of interest.

Scrolling down further, you can access current Library News posts. Just below these posts, you will see the option to sign up for Library News. Signing up here will enable email notifications when new items are posted.

Below this section, you will find access to Upcoming library events.

At the very bottom of our website, we have main contact information posted, as well as helpful links.

Let's go back to the top of the page and look at the main navigation buttons.

The first button is the About button. Under the About drop-down menu, you will find information about the History of the Library, Policies & Frequently Asked Questions, and our Library Board of Control.

Under the Locations drop-down menu, you will find links to access location and contact information for each of our Library locations.

Next, we find the Library Catalog eMedia drop-down menu. Clicking on the main button will connect you to our Library Catalog. Options in the drop-down menu are to view My Library Record, view the catalog of eBooks, eAudiobooks, Digital Video, or to view the Kid's Catalog.

The next option is the button to connect to our Calendar. Clicking this button will take you to a page of Library Events presented in calendar format.

The next option is Services. You can click on the Services button to view a written list of our services, or you can select one of the items in the drop-down menu to learn more about that particular service.

With the Programs button, you can learn more about the Library's year-round programming for all ages. Here you will also find a posting of our monthly bulletin.

In the drop-down menu under the Programs button, you will see options to connect to specific program pages, as well as a link to Summer Reading content.

Under the Resources button, you will find options for Homework Louisiana, Accelerated Reader Bookfinder, and Library Databases.

Now, let's look at options on the red menu bar.

Here you will find a link to learn more about Digital Library Cards. Clicking on this button will connect you to a page with more information on the Digital Library Card. The page also contains a web-based form that you can submit to request a Digital Library Card.

Please note that Regular library cards access all digital content. Digital cards are for access to digital content only and allow no physical material to be checked out.

The next option in the red menu bar is a link to access our Monthly Bulletin. This button connects you back to the Programs page, which features our Monthly Bulletin.

The next button on the red menu bar is a link to our Ask a Librarian webpage. Clicking on this button will take you to a web-based form where you can submit a question to the Library.

The last button on the red menu bar is for Video Tutorials. Clicking here will connect you to a page where we post short video tutorials covering a variety of topics.

Let's go back to the Home Page and learn a bit about using the website to search for Library material.

You can go directly to the Library Catalog by clicking on the "Search the Library Catalog" icon. This will take you to the web-based catalog of our Library Collection. New Releases are featured on the front page of the catalog. Click on any cover image to view more information about that title.

To perform a search, type in the search box. For example, a search for the word Louisiana will show you all of the items in the Library related to that term. From the Catalog, you can view the location of an item.

To place a hold on an item, you will select the Place Hold button. You will then need to Log In to your Account. If you are unsure of your login credentials, please contact the Library for assistance.

If you would like to search for digital items, you will go to the eMedia Catalog. This is linked at the top of our Catalog page. This link will connect you to the eMedia Catalog of the Bayouland network of libraries. You will need to sign in on this site in order to access all features of the digital library. For assistance with this site, please contact your library.

Next, we will go back to the Home Page and learn how to access the Library's database resources.

From the home page, go to the drop-down menu under the Resources button, and then select Library Databases.

Doing this will connect you to the Library's Database page, which is the Louisiana Library Connection. Here you can find an alphabetical list of items found under My Library's Databases and under Statewide Databases.

If accessing this page from anywhere other than the library, you will be prompted to Log In using your library card number and your self-selected PIN. If you are unsure of your login credentials, please contact the Library for assistance.

This completes the website introduction video. We hope you enjoy using the Saint Martin Parish Library website. Please contact us with any questions.