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East Albemarle Regional Library Announces Upcoming Closure and Interruption in Online Services

The East Albemarle Regional Library has announced that all eight library locations in Camden, Currituck, Dare and Pasquotank County will upgrade their servers and software from Saturday, February 18, 2023 through Tuesday, February 21, 2023. This upgrade may impact users' ability to access certain online services and other databases, such as our online catalog, Cloud Library and the NC Kids Digital Library, while the servers are offline.

In addition, please note that public libraries located in Dare, Camden, Currituck and Pasquotank counties will be closed Monday, February 20, 2023 in order to allow all library staff members to attend training on the upgraded software.

"Although this upgrade involves numerous behind-the-scenes changes, we are sure our users will find our new online catalog much more visually appealing and easier to navigate," said East Albemarle Regional Library System Director Jonathan Wark. "Searching for books and materials, browsing and getting recommendations will be easier than ever. With this major software upgrade we will have more features, including the ability to notify you by email before your library card expires and, soon, the ability for automatic renewals of most library materials."

While the upgrade is taking place, Library users may experience disruptions in one or more of the following services:

- Online Library catalog and account access at www.EARLibrary.org
- Ability to place holds or renew checked out books online
- Access to Cloud Library eBooks and eAudioBooks

All libraries will all reopen for their regularly scheduled hours on Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

"A great deal of planning has gone into making sure disruptions to service are kept to a minimum and that patrons will find the enhanced website to be well worth the inconvenience," said Wark.

For more information, please contact your local library location at the following numbers

Barco (252) 453-8345
Camden (252) 331-2543
Corolla (252) 453-0496
Hatteras (252) 986-2385
Kill Devil Hills (252) 441-4331
Manteo (252) 473-2372
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Pasquotank (252) 335-2473

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