

LIBRARIES ANNOUNCE LAUNCH OF NEW STREAMING-VIDEO SERVICE

Fort Bend County Libraries announces the addition of a new online streaming-video service, **Access Video On Demand**, to its eLibrary collection of digital resources. Library patrons will have instant, unlimited, 24/7 access to thousands of world-class documentaries, award-winning educational films, independent movies, and helpful instructional videos covering a wide range of subjects.

This new video-streaming service includes two collections -- "**Access Video on Demand: Master Collection**" for adults and "**Access Video On Demand: Just for Kids**." From arts and humanities to science, technology, and math, *Access Video On Demand* (AVOD) provides instant access to a wide range of subjects for library patrons of all ages.

In the *AVOD: Master Collection*, producers such as the History Channel, HBO, BBC, Nova, A&E, and Ken Burns provide documentaries on topics like business, career planning, health, history, travel, and more! Library patrons can watch a Bob Dylan concert, go on a trip with Rick Steves, learn to bake with Julia Child, or work out with Jeanette Jenkins!

AVOD: Just for Kids provides thousands of age-appropriate, advertisement-free videos that children, parents, and caregivers will love. Sesame Street, Reading Rainbow, PBS, and the Electric Company are a few of the many offerings that are available. Interactives games, puzzles, and quizzes are sure to entertain, educate, and inspire young library patrons on this kid-safe media platform.

Looking for homework help? *AVOD: Just for Kids* includes educational, historical, and popular content, with full transcripts of programs, a citation builder for bibliographies, and video-clipping tools that help the user embed the video in a presentation.

Library patrons need a valid FBCL card (or eCard) to access the service, and there are no check-out limits, waitlists, or overdue fines. Completely browser-based and mobile friendly, the streaming videos can be viewed on PCs, Macs, iPads, smart TVs, and other internet-enabled mobile devices. No app or special software is required.

It is possible to create an account with *AVOD* and create playlists for videos to be watched in the future. With an account, patrons may also pause videos and resume at a later time.

All videos come with public-performance rights for classroom or other public use, and new videos are added monthly.

To browse the *AVOD* collection of films, go to FBCL website, www.fortbend.lib.tx.us, click on "[ELIBRARY](#)," and scroll down to *Access Video on Demand*.

For more information, call the library system's Communications Office at 281-633-4734.