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CHECK OUT LOUISIANA STATE PARKS PILOT UPDATE

ST. TAMMANY – The State Library's "Check Out Louisiana" state parks pilot program at the St. Tammany Parish Library (STPL) has concluded and will be evaluated to decide the future of the pass program at STPL branches.

The "Check Out Louisiana" program allowed patrons to check out passes to visit any of Louisiana's state parks with no admission fee. The program also included a Geaux Explore backpack that included resources and tools for exploring the parks.

The program received an overall positive reception from patrons. After one month of the program, nearly all provided park passes have been disbursed at STPL branches. Due to this demand, the Library does not have an estimated timeline for when this program will resume or when more passes will be available. The Library Administration is hopeful that the program will return soon.

Patrons can still check out the **Geaux Explore Backpacks** for use at parks at any of the pilot branches:

- Lacombe Branch (28027 Hwy. 190)
- Madisonville Branch (1123 Main St.)
- Mandeville Branch (844 Girod St.)
- Slidell Branch (555 Robert Blvd.)

Resources:

- State Library of Louisiana: Check Out Louisiana
- Check Out Louisiana (News Post)

The St. Tammany Parish Library has been serving the citizens of St. Tammany Parish for over seventy years. Our twelve branches offer over 542,000 loanable items including books, CDs, DVDs, audiobooks, and magazines. The library's website offers 24/7 access to downloadable audio and e-books, music downloads, research tools, magazines, and newspapers. Our programs and services are designed to meet residents' cultural, informational, educational, and recreational needs.