

BTPL BOOK DROP FAQ

Q. Why are the book drops located right there at the entrance?

A. This was not our first choice for the location, but it is the location recommended by our construction site superintendent. It allows us to safely clear the book drops without standing in or crossing traffic, it provides access as you walk in the door, and are able to be used as a drive-up from the passenger side. The drop window itself is more convenient since there is nothing to pull down (unlike our former drops).

Q. Why are they so large?

A. The drive-up book drop had four large bins as well. This is needed to handle the volume of returned materials, especially over the Library's closed hours and holidays.

Q. Why couldn't they be where the driver could drop materials?

A. The first-choice location would have allowed that BUT would have closed the two-way traffic in front of the library completely. The construction manager would like to keep two-way traffic open at the front entrance in order to not mix construction and public traffic. (Construction traffic will use the south end of the Bradford pear island.) Overall, it is safer to allow a passenger side drop than to create a driver side drop and mix public and construction traffic.

Q. Are my items secure if I drop them off there?

A. Yes. The boxes are locked with a combination lock plus the drop window is structured to protect items from the weather.

Q. Are there items I should NOT put in the drop boxes?

A. Yes. Please return all interlibrary loan materials, including MelCat materials borrowed on your behalf or by you from other libraries, to a person at the Circulation desk inside the library. Please do not return ILL materials in any of the drop boxes ur participation in ILL programs depends on your cooperation.

Q. Can I drop AV in here as well? Will they be okay in hot weather?

A. Yes. The bins are cleared frequently enough that the items will be safe from hot weather.

Q. Where else can I drop my materials?

A. There is another book drop (book and AV) located at the Bloomfield Township offices. There are two more drops (book and AV) located at 7273 Wing Lake Road, in front of the Greater Bloomfield Senior Association. Materials left in the off-site book drops are adjusted for the last date of pick-up, even if they are not picked up as frequently.

Q. How long will these book drops be here to the west of the library entrance?

A. The drops will be positioned here, based on projected construction site activity, until late winter or spring 2007. Then they will be moved two to each side near the temporary entrances while the main entrance and lobby are remodeled. The completed new drive-up book drop will reopen spring 2008.

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