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Reopening set for renovated Lee County Public Library in Riverdale
Mark your calendar for Tuesday, April 25

Fort Myers, FL, April 14, 2023 – The newly renovated Lee County Riverdale Public Library, 2421 Buckingham Road, Fort Myers, will reopen at noon Tuesday, April 25.

Regular operating hours are noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

The library is 7,250 square feet and underwent a complete interior and exterior renovation to enhance the functionality and appearance of the branch.
The interior renovations provide a more efficient and flexible use of the space.

- Raised ceilings and window heights
- Central service desk
- Separate spaces for adults, teens and children
- Teen space with a dedicated collection and computers exclusively for teens
- New public access computers and Wi-Fi access points
- Meeting room with updated technology and a foldable glass wall to create a larger space for programs and meetings
- All new shelving, some on casters to move within the space for flexibility
- Enhanced print and media collections including the latest releases and classic gems
- Redesigned staff areas to improve workflow

The external improvements include architectural, landscaping and parking lot upgrades that will enhance the functionality and appearance of the library.

- Shaded outdoor reading nooks with comfortable seating
- Covered entry with convenient seating
- Redesigned parking lot
- New book returns
- LED parking lot lights
- Updated landscaping including native plants
- New bike rack and flagpole

Initial construction began in May 2022. The $4 million project was paid from existing library funds.

A community celebration will be held Saturday, June 10, at the library.

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