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ImagineIF Celebrates National Library Card Sign-Up Month

Kalispell, MT – This September ImagineIF Libraries is joining the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries nationwide for Library Card Sign-Up Month, a time to remind parents, caregivers and students that a library card is the first step towards academic achievement and lifelong learning.

A library card opens a world of infinite possibilities through resources and services that give students the tools to succeed in school and beyond. From STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) programs, early literacy classes, to makerspaces and in-person or virtual homework help, libraries transform lives through education.

With a library card, adults can find exciting fiction, nonfiction, downloadable audio and eBooks and a wealth of information at their fingertips through ImagineIF's online databases and digital tools. For example, CreativeBug offers crafters and makers hours of video tutorials for painting, drawing, sewing and more. Or explore LinkedIn Learning to expand your professional skills and choose from thousands of online courses taught by real-world industry experts. Get started at imagineiflibraries.org.

ImagineIF is excited to launch *Your Passport to Learning*, a campaign celebrating Library Card Sign-Up Month. All through the month of September, when you sign-up for a library card or ImagineIF's email newsletter, you get a free ImagineIF tote bag (while supplies last). Stop into any ImagineIF location in Kalispell, Columbia Falls, Bigfork or Marion to sign-up. Find out more at http://imagineiflibraries.org/your-passport-to-learning/.

ImagineIF Libraries' mission is to provide safe and fair access to information for everyone in Flathead County. For more information, visit <u>www.imagineiflibraries.org</u>.

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