

# Regional Fee Policy for Piedmont Regional Library System

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## County Fee Schedule

County	Regional Fee
Barrow	\$15,000
Jackson	\$5,000
Banks	\$2,500

## Municipality Fee Schedule

City	Regional Fee
Auburn	\$15,000
Braselton*	\$15,000
Commerce*	\$15,000
Jefferson*	\$15,000
Winder	\$15,000
Nicholson*	\$10,000
Statham	\$10,000
Maysville*	\$5,000
Talmo*	\$5,000
Arcade*	\$2,500
Bethlehem	\$2,500
Carl	\$2,500
Homer	\$2,500
Hoschton ( <i>board seat</i> )	\$1,000

\*Paid by Jackson County

## Public School Fee Schedule

School System	Regional Fee
Barrow County Schools	\$22,000
Jackson County Schools	\$12,500
Banks County Schools	\$5,000
Jefferson City Schools	\$5,000
Commerce City Schools	\$2,500

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### **Large Full-Service Library: \$15,000 and above**

- Budget - Local library budget over \$200,000
- Courier Stops - At least four stops per week

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### **Medium Full-Service Library: \$10,000**

- Budget - Local library budget between \$100,000-\$199,999
- Courier Stops - At least three stops per week

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### **Small Full-Service Library: \$5,000**

- Budget - Local library budget less than \$100,000
- Courier Stops - At least two stops per week

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### **Book Deposit: \$2,500**

Libraries not meeting state standards for a full-service library become book deposits by the next regional board meeting.

*Bethlehem & Carl & Arcade*

# Benefits of Membership in Piedmont Regional Library System

*An addendum to the PRLS Regional Fee Policy*

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A Regional Library Office provides much of the “back room” and administrative support for operating libraries in a regional library system. Below are some of the benefits that an independent library *would have to fund on its own* if not a member of a regional system.

**State Aid.** In Georgia, only libraries which are part of one of the 60 regional (or county) systems are eligible for state aid. This includes\*:

- ✓ Funding for books, technology, and other library materials
- ✓ High speed Internet connections for staff and public access at all locations
- ✓ PINES library catalog and automated circulation system
- ✓ PINES courier service to headquarters location
- ✓ Ability to request items and have them delivered from other PRLS library collections
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- ✓ Access to state-funded electronic resources such as GALILEO, Mango Language Learning, Learning Express and ERead Kids
- ✓ Paid professional and support staff and regional office operating expenses
- ✓ Funding for new library construction – most facilities in PRLS were built with state funds, which pays substantial amounts of the construction costs

**Regional Service.** Beyond state funding, regional office provides cost savings by sharing the expenses of the following services with other agencies in Banks, Barrow, & Jackson counties.\*

- ✓ Regional courier - includes delivering PINES materials to all locations
- ✓ Regional outreach service - includes service to assisted living centers, senior centers, day care centers and schools throughout the three-county region
- ✓ Technology support - includes staffing with expertise in PINES, statistical reporting and troubleshooting; and other IT-related support including hardware/software support of public computers
- ✓ Assistance with book selection and the development of library collections
- ✓ Cataloging of books and other library materials into PINES
- ✓ Processing – includes adding book jackets, spine labels, etc. so materials may be shelved correctly and located quickly
- ✓ Access to a regional storytime props collection and professional collection
- ✓ Access to various digital resources including ebooks, e-audiobooks, electronic magazines, and World Book Online
- ✓ Professional advocacy for public libraries at the national, state, and local levels
- ✓ Professional support and training for all library staff including children’s services, budgeting, staffing levels, leadership and management, customer service, etc.

*\*lists may not be comprehensive*