the
Adopt-an-Author program
at
the Elkader Public Library

▶ What is it?

The Adopt-an-Author program is a unique program at the Elkader Public Library wherein a person adopts an author, book series, tv series, film series, etc., and when the library acquires the newest item, you are given first reserve privileges and a book plate in return for paying for the item. (This cost is <u>not</u> the retail cost, but rather the discounted rate that the library gets from its vendors.)

It is a great way to support your local library, ensure items you want are on the shelves, and share your love of specific authors/programs with others.

▶ What should I do if I am interested in joining?

If you are interested in joining the Adopt-an-Author program, contact the Elkader Public Library via your preferred method (phone, email, or by stopping in) and let us know that you are interested in being added to the list.

We'll ask a few questions such as what you are interested in adopting and, if it's a book, if you would prefer it to be regular or large print. Once that's completed, we'll next be in touch when the latest title from your adopted author/series is in to let you know it's here.

Adopt-an-Author FAQs

What if the author/series I want has already been adopted by someone else?

Then, unfortunately, that author/series is already spoken for unless that patron decides that they no longer want to adopt them.

What if I decide that I no longer want to adopt [author/series]?

If you decide that you no longer want to be part of this program, just let us know and we'll take you off the list.

Can I adopt multiple authors/series?

Yes! We have several patrons who have adopted multiple authors and others who have adopted only a single author. The choice is yours as to how many you want to adopt and how you want to do it.

What if I only want to adopt a particular series that an author writes?

We can do that! We've accommodated similar requests for our patrons adopting authors before and it's something we just need to know beforehand.