Children's Programs

Register for events requiring registration beginning March 1.

Story Time At Home
Through Mar. 25
Fun stories, songs, and rhymes on Facebook!
Join us live at 10am, or watch the video later at your convenience!

Baby & Toddler Time
Tuesdays at 10am

Preschooler Story Time
Thursdays at 10am

EPL Updates

- The library building is now open to the public for 30-minute visits to browse and check out materials.
- Masks are required for all visitors, ages 2 and older.
- Practice social distancing of 6 feet while in the building.
- Curbside pickup is still available! To use this option, wait to be notified that your holds are ready to be picked up and then call the Adult Circulation Desk 15 minutes before your arrival at the library.
- A limited number of computers are available for 60 minute sessions for educational purposes.
- We are monitoring the situation carefully and will make adjustments as needed.
- Keep up with the latest news from the library on Facebook and our website!

Visit the "How Do I" page on our website to sign up to receive a newsletter via email.

Tot Yoga on Zoom
Registration Required
Saturday, Mar. 27 at 10am
3-6 yr. old’s will take an imaginative yoga adventure to the story "Going on a Bear Hunt", by Michael Rosen. Little yogis will playfully practice their own unique expression of yoga postures while standing, sitting up, walking, and jumping. Yoga mats are not necessary for this class.

Coming Soon in April
Book Talk with Local Author, Stephanie Malia Krauss
Thursday, April 8 at 7pm
Zoom Event-Registration Required
Join us for a conversation with Author Stephanie Malia Krauss to talk about her new book, "Making It: What Today’s Kids Need for Tomorrow’s World". A nationally circulated book with a local footprint, "Making It" takes us to schools and communities across the country, including the Tiger Den at Edwardsville High School and the Triad School District MakerSpace. This event will be for parents, educators, teens, and anyone interested in this topic.

Library Grab Bags
Edwardsville Library card is required.
Let us know your favorite genres and authors, and we will hand-select a grab bag for you! We can put together items for any age, and they can include any type of library materials you would like. Visit our website to fill out the online form.

Take Home Crafts
Grab a craft from the Youth Desk or our curbside pickup station that you can make at home! New crafts will be available every other week.

Visit the "How Do I" page on our website to sign up to receive a newsletter via email.
Virtual Volunteering
If you are a student needing to fulfill service hours or just want to get involved in the community, we would love your help with the following:

**Review a Book**
Send us a review of a book you read recently to be featured in the Teen section or on our blog.

**Share Your Experience**
Join others processing the pandemic with our 2020 Historian Project or the #WeWereHere Project. Learn more on the teen page of our website.

DIY Mini Zen Garden Kits
**Registration Required**
Mar. 15-20
Ease your mind with your own miniature zen garden! Keep it on your desk to increase serenity, focus, and creativity. Those who register can pick up their kits from March 15-20 at the library Youth Desk during our open hours. For curbside pickup, call us 15 minutes before arriving at the library.

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**Test Your Knowledge: Women’s History Month**
March 1-31
Quiz yourself or challenge friends with Kahoot trivia, and learn about the movement, as well as many incredible women whose hard work and achievements made history! Find the quizzes on our website. Want to discover more about any of the notable figures mentioned? Ask at the library!

**Teen Advisory Board on Zoom**
Thursday, Mar. 25 at 7-9pm
It’s just like our old TAB meetings, but from home! Bring your own snack and ideas about future library events for teens to our Zoom meeting, hang out, and catch up. Apply online!

Reading Challenges

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten**
Newborn-Kindergarten
Read books to your newborn, infant, or toddler, and keep track on Beanstack to earn badges and rewards! The goal is to have read 1,000 books before your little one starts Kindergarten.

**STEAM at Home Challenge**
Grades 2-5
STEAM is all around us! From the questions we ask, technology we use, and creative solutions we develop, our world is powered by STEAM. Learn more about its progress, pioneers, games, and activities in this interactive challenge!

**Read Woke Challenge**
All Ages
In this challenge created by Cicely Lewis, discover diverse books that challenge a social norm, give a voice to the voiceless, provide information about a group that has been disenfranchised, seek to challenge the status quo, and/or have a protagonist from an underrepresented or oppressed group. This is an ongoing challenge, so begin at any time and complete it in any order at your own pace!