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#### Storytime: Ages 2-3

Tuesday, April 2 • 10:30 am Tuesday, April 16 • 10:30 am

This is a storytime for children 2 & 3 years of age, with a caregiver, featuring stories, music and a craft that teach early literacy skills. Please register all attending.

# **Caregivers & Coffee Hour**

Tuesday, April 2 • 11:00 am Wednesday, April 10 • 11:00 am Tuesday, April 16 • 11:00 am Wednesday, April 24 • 11:00 am

> Join fellow baby and toddler caregivers after our storytime for a cup of coffee or tea and some conversation. Storytime attendance is not required.

# PreTeen D&D Fantasy Quest: Ages 8-12

Thursday, April 4 • 4:30 pm

Join us on our journey: Heros of Sol'an, 5th edition family friendly Dungeons and Dragons campaign for preteens. New players welcome.

# **Teen: Eclipse Anime & Cartoons**

Thursday, April 4 - 5:30 pm

Watch some anime episodes and discuss dramatic eclipses before seeing (a likely less dramatic) one of yourself on April 8th!

# LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club (Grades K-5)

Monday, April 8 - 4:30 pm

In this program, children (grades K-5) may free build with the library's LEGO\* blocks or build a 'challenge' project.

#### **Teen Gaming**

Monday, April 8 • 6:00 pm

Teens are invited to come hang out at the library and play Nintendo Switch! Ages 12-18.

# Storytime: Ages 4-6

Tuesday, April 9 • 10:30 am Tuesday, April 23 • 10:30 am

> In this program, children will develop pre-reading skills as they enjoy stories, music, and a craft.

#### **Teen Alphabet Club**

Tuesday, April 9 • 6:00 pm

We are proud to be hosting a support, education, & social space for LGBTQ+ teens & their allies. Theen (12-18) are welcome.

#### Mother Goose on the Loose: Ages Birth - 23 Months

Wednesday, April 10 • 10:30 am Wednesday, April 24 • 10:30 am

> Babies and toddlers, birth - 23 months of age, accompanied by their caregivers, will enjoy this program filled with rhymes, books, music, and movement designed to help early literacy skills.

# **Teen Cartoon School**

Wednesday, April 10 • 6:00 pm

Like to draw? Like comics and cartoons? Then this is the program for you! Join us on the second Wednesday of every month to learn new drawing techniques and make friends with your fellow cartoonists!

# **Power Paws for Kids**

Wednesday, April 10 • 6:00 pm

All children and their families are invited to come and read to certified therapy dogs.

# **Teen Dungeons & Dragons**

Thursday, April 11 • 4:30 pm

Come and play in a game with one of our librarians as gm.

# Due to limited space, all participants must register in advance.

Please include the name of every child and adult planning to be in the room. Programs are subject to change. In the event of a change, the library will contact registrants.



# **Building Blocks to Literacy**

Saturday, April 13 • 10:30 am

Kids ages 6 months through 3 years old, and their caregivers, will enjoy interacting at various block play stations. Special blocks for older kids will also be available on high tables.

# **Tween: Learn to Crochet**

Wednesday, April 17 • 3:30 pm

Learn the basics of crochet and begin creating a hacky sack!

# Teen Financial Literacy Classes

Wednesday, April 17 • 5:00 pm Friday, April 26 • 3:30 pm

Learn about financial literacy during these three class sessions featuring Misty De La Cruz from First Financial Bank.

# Life Skills 101 (Grades K-5)

#### - Money Management

Thursday, April 18 • 4:30 pm

Life is hard enough on its own, join us as we touch on some common skills not everyone may know.

# **Teen Advisory Board**

Wednesday, April 24 - 5:30 pm

Assist librarians to make the library your space. Improve activities and programs and ear volunteer hours!

# **PJ Storytime**

Thursday, April 25 • 6:30 pm

Join us for bedtime stories and songs. Wear your favorite pajamas and sing along to some lullabies. PJs are encouraged but not required.

# Saturday "Night" Trivia

Saturday, April 27 - 3:00 pm

Join us for a trivia competition! Work in teams or individually to answer general knowledge, history, and pop culture questions to become a Library Trivia CHAMPION!!! Please register.