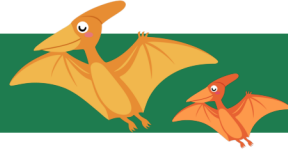


WED 12 PM - 8:30 PM | THU 9 AM - 8:30 PM | FRI 9 AM - 5:30 PM
SAT 9 AM - 4:30 PM | SUN 1 PM - 4:30 PM

For children in kindergarten and younger

Drop in for self-guided play geared toward early childhood development. Caregiver must stay in the playroom with their child.

Story Times — JUN 1 - JUL 31



No registration is required, but space is limited. Please check in at the Youth Services desk upon arrival to reserve your spot in Story Time.

Toddler Tales

Mondays | 10:30 AM

Ages 2 & 3 with an adult

Enjoy books, songs, and finger plays, specifically geared for toddlers.

Baby & Me

Mondays | 11:15 AM

Ages 0 - 23 months with an adult

Fingerplays, songs, and playtime for babies and caregivers.

Music and Movement

Tuesdays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult

Enjoy music, dancing, stories, and more.

Pajama Time

Tuesdays | 6:30 PM

All ages with an adult

A nighttime story time with books, music, flannel boards, and more.

Pajamas are welcome.

Wednesday Story Time

Wednesdays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult

Enjoy a midweek story time with books, songs, and more.

Friday Family Story Time

Fridays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult

Bring the whole family for songs, dancing, and stories.

Saturday Story Time

First Saturdays | 10:30 AM

All ages with an adult

Enjoy songs and stories with friends the first Saturday of each month.



MON - FRI | 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Ages 18 & younger

Free lunch and activity in the Youth Services Craft Room. No registration required.

Youth Program Guide Summer 2026

Summer Read 2026

JUN 1 - JUL 31

All Ages

This year's summer read theme, Unearth a Story, celebrates the joy of discovery that reading brings. Join the challenge, collect prizes, and enter to win grand prize drawings.

Head to any Information Desk to pick up a Reading Record starting June 1.



Tween Book Club



WED | 6/10, 7/8, 8/12 | 7 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Join us for a book discussion, enjoy a snack, do an activity, and pick next month's title. Caregivers are welcome to join. Limited copies available at the Youth Services desk; titles listed at kentfreelibrary.org.

June: *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate

Youth Photo Contest



Entering grades 5 - 8

Snap photos of your favorite things, people, or places. The top three winners will receive an Off the Wagon gift card.

Submit photos to Leah Berger (leah.berger@kentfreelibrary.org) with student's name, parent/guardian's name, grade entering, phone number, and photo title. Up to two entries per photographer.

Submit photos by Monday, July 6. Photos displayed July 12 - 26 for public voting.



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*Register online, in person, or by phone.
All programs are subject to change.

Monthly Programs

Tween Book Boxes*

Pickup Starts 1st of each month

Entering grades 3 - 5

Monthly themed book boxes.

June: Dinosaurs

July: Historical Reads

August: Pirates



Kindergarten Readiness*

TUE | JUN 2 - JUL 28 | 2 PM

Ages 4 - 5 attend independently

Weekly themed stories, songs, and activities.

Tales and Treats*

TUE | JUN 2 - JUL 28 | 4:30 PM

Entering grades K - 2

Listen to *Dinosaurs Before Dark* by Mary Pope Osborne, have a snack, learn about different dinosaurs, do science experiments, and more.

Builders Club*

WED | 6/3, 6/17, 7/1, 7/15 | 4 PM

Entering grades PreK - 5

Creative construction featuring Legos®.

That's Sew Dinosaurs*

THU | JUN 4 - JUL 23 | 4 PM

Entering grades 3 - 8

Learn sewing skills by making your own dinosaur pillow. Attend weekly to progress through a project.

K - 2 Hangout*

THU | 6/4, 6/18, 7/2, 7/16 |

5:30 PM

Entering grades K - 2

Self-guided fun with art, craft and game stations.

Tween Zone*

THU | JUN 4 - JUL 16 | 7 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Weekly art, crafts, games, and more.



Pokémon Club

FRI | 6/5, 7/10, 8/28 | 4:30 PM

WED | 6/17, 7/15, 8/19 | 6:30 PM

Entering grades PreK - 8

Battle, trade, and discuss all things Pokémon.

STEAM for Kids*

MON | 6/8 & 7/13 | 5:30 PM

Entering grades K - 2

Apply scientific and technological principles through hands-on activities.



Tween Mario Kart Tournament*

FRI | JUN 19 | 4 PM

WED | JUL 22 | 5:30 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Put the pedal to the metal while playing Mario Kart on the library Nintendo Switch.



Sensory Playtime

SUN | 6/21 & 7/12 | 2 PM

Children of all ages with an adult

Drop in to the Craft Room for sensory art, toys, and experiences.



Ready, Set, Art*

WED | 6/24, 7/22, 8/26 | 7 PM

Entering grades 1 - 5

Begin with a prompt and end

with a masterpiece to take home.



Special Programs

Craft Room Studio:

Pasta-saurs

WED | JUN 10 | 4:30 - 6:30 PM

Families with children of all ages

Use noodles of all shapes and sizes to create your very own PASTA-SAUR!



Craft Room Studio:

Patriotic Tie Dye*

SAT | JUN 13 | 3 - 4 PM

WED | JUN 24 | 5 - 7 PM

FRI | JUN 26 | 2 - 4 PM

All Ages

Create red, white & blue tie-dye for American250! Bring one item (T-shirt, socks, etc.) per person. All other supplies provided.



Dragon Training Academy*

SAT | JUN 20 | 2 PM

Families with children of all ages

Learn to protect yourself from dragons with time traveler Professor Brock Barnabas! See his wacky inventions and meet a baby dragon animatronic.

Tween Library Scavenger Hunt*

MON | JUN 22 | 5:30 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Learn how to utilize resources in the DuBois Children's Department through a fun scavenger hunt.



Kids Step-By-Step Paint

Night: Dinosaur Silhouettes*

WED | JUL 8 | 5:30 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Follow a librarian step-by-step through a ROAR-some dinosaur painting. No experience required.

Jungle Terry's Wildlife Adventures*

SAT | JUL 11 | 2 PM

Families with children all ages

Enjoy a fun and educational show featuring Jungle Terry and his animal friends.



Grown-up & Me: Design a Dreamcatcher*

SAT | JUL 25 | 2 PM

Entering grades 2 - 8 with a grown-up

Grown-up and kid pairs will work together to design and create a dreamcatcher.



Tween Taste Test Challenge*

THU | JUL 30 | 7 PM

Entering grades 3 - 5

Your taste buds are invited to come try some salty chips, silly concoctions, and new flavors.

Mr. Zap's Wild & Wacky Balloon Show*

SAT | AUG 1 | 2 PM

Families with children of all ages

Experience amazing balloon creations and magic through a comedy show with Mr. Zap.

