

Johnson County Public

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CELEBRATE YOUR FAVORITE BOOKS



TeenTastic
Book
 Prom

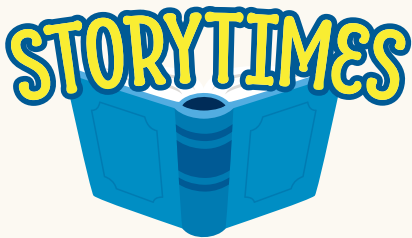
◆ MASQUERADE ◆

Clark Pleasant Branch Library
Fri • Nov 20 • 6–8 p.m.

GAMES • CRAFTS • PIZZA • KARAOKE
DANCE LESSONS • PHOTO BOOTH

Formal wear is encouraged but not required.

GRADES 6–12



BARGERSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER

Family **F**

Mon • Nov 23 • 11 a.m.

Mon • Dec 14 • 11 a.m.

Mon • Jan 25 • 11 a.m.

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

Tiny Tots **B**

Thu • Nov 5, 12, 19 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Dec 3, 10, 17 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Jan 21, 28 • 10 a.m.

Preschool **P**

Tue • Nov 3, 10, 17, 24 • 10 a.m.

Tue • Dec 1, 8, 15 • 10 a.m.

Tue • Jan 19, 26 • 10 a.m.

Family **F**

Sat • Nov 21 • 10 a.m.

Sat • Dec 19 • 10 a.m.

Sat • Jan 16 • 10 a.m.

FRANKLIN BRANCH

Tiny Tots **B**

Thu • Nov 5, 12, 19 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Dec 3, 10, 17 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Jan 14, 21, 28 • 10 a.m.

Preschool Yoga **P**

Mon • Nov 16 • 10 a.m.

Mon • Dec 21 • 10 a.m.

Mon • Jan 18 • 10 a.m.

Preschool **P**

Wed • Nov 4, 11, 18, 25 • 10 a.m.

Wed • Dec 2, 9, 16 • 10 a.m.

Wed • Jan 13, 20, 27 • 10 a.m.

Family **F**

Sat • Nov 28 • 10 a.m.

Sat • Dec 26 • 10 a.m.

Sat • Jan 30 • 10 a.m.

TRAFALGAR BRANCH

Tiny Tots **B**

Tue • Nov 3, 10, 17, 24 • 10 a.m.

Tue • Dec 1, 8, 15 • 10 a.m.

Tue • Jan 12, 19, 26 • 10 a.m.

Family **F**

Thu • Nov 5, 12, 19 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Dec 3, 10, 17 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Jan 14, 21, 28 • 10 a.m.

Family **F**

Sat • Nov 14 • 11 a.m.

Sat • Dec 5 • 11 a.m.

Sat • Jan 30 • 11 a.m.

WHITE RIVER BRANCH

Tiny Tots **B**

Tue • Nov 3, 10, 17, 24 • 10 a.m.

Tue • Dec 1, 8, 15 • 10 a.m.

Tue • Jan 12, 19, 26 • 10 a.m.

Preschool **P**

Thu • Nov 5, 12, 19 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Dec 3, 10, 17 • 10 a.m.

Thu • Jan 14, 21, 28 • 10 a.m.

Baby **B**

Mon • Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 • 10 a.m.

Mon • Dec 7, 14 • 10 a.m.

Mon • Jan 11, 18, 25 • 10 a.m.

Preschool Yoga **P**

Fri • Nov 20 • 10:30 a.m.

Fri • Jan 22 • 10:30 a.m.

Family **F**

Sat • Nov 7 • 10 a.m.

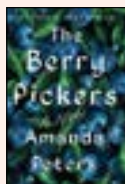
Sat • Dec 5 • 10 a.m.

Sat • Jan 2 • 10 a.m.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

LET'S TALK ABOUT BOOKS!

Books & Beans Book Club A

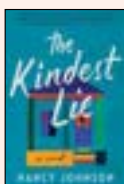


***The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters**
Mon • Nov 30 • 9 a.m.
Strange Brew in Greenwood

***The Christmas Tree Farm* by Laurie Gilmore**
Mon • Dec 21 • 9 a.m.
Main and Madison in Franklin

***Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi**
Mon • Jan 25 • 9 a.m.
Fresh Pots in Greenwood

Franklin Page Turners A

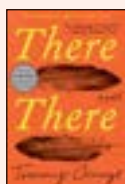


***Isola* by Allegra Goodman**
Mon • Nov 16 • 6:30 p.m. • FRB

***The Kindest Lie* by Nancy Johnson**
Mon • Dec 21 • 6:30 p.m. • FRB

***Kin* by Tayari Jones**
Mon • Jan 18 • 6:30 p.m. • FRB

Hooked on Books A T



***There There* by Tommy Orange**
Wed • Nov 18 • 1:30 p.m. • WRB

***The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans**
Wed • Dec 30 • 1:30 p.m. • WRB

***The Astral Library* by Kate Quinn**
Wed • Jan 27 • 1:30 p.m. • WRB

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

CHILDREN

Baby & Me Playdate **B**

Mon • Nov 2, 16 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Kids Cooking **✓ E**

Tue • Nov 3 • 4 p.m.

Collaborate on kid-friendly concoctions! We'll make a no-bake item related to the story and taste it.

Hop and Bop **P B**

Fri • Nov 6 • 10 a.m.

Experiment with movement and rhythm in this high-energy program.

Preschool Edible Science **✓ P**

Fri • Nov 6 • 10 a.m.

Taste, learn, have fun and experiment with hands-on kitchen science.

Block Party **E**

Fri • Nov 6 • 2 p.m.

Create works of art with LEGO® bricks.

Tales for Tails **✓ E**

Mon • Nov 9 • 6:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy canine. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or call 317-535-6206.

Kids Yoga **✓ P E**

Tue • Nov 10 • 6 p.m.

Jennifer from Healing Soul will teach beginner yoga.

Book Buddies **✓ E**

Wed • Nov 11 • 6 p.m.

High school volunteers are paired with students in grades 1-5 to develop reading skills and a love of reading.

Homeschool Hangout **✓ E**

Thu • Nov 12 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

Family Movie Series: *Big Hero 6* (PG) **F**

Sat • Nov 14 • 2 p.m.

Crafternoon:

Thanksgiving Edition **✓ E**

Wed • Nov 18 • 4 p.m.

Make a Thanksgiving table decoration.

**Show your support
for libraries at the JCPL
Foundation store**



Shirts, totes & more!



bit.ly/LibraryShirts

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

Tot Art:

Thanksgiving Edition

Fri • Nov 20 • 10 a.m.

Create tot-friendly art projects.
Stay after the craft for socialization and
a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Canvas Art:

Thanksgiving Edition

Wed • Nov 25 • 4 p.m.

Learn techniques to paint on canvas.
Dress for a mess.

Kids Cooking

Tue • Dec 1 • 4 p.m.

Collaborate on kid-friendly
concoctions! We'll make a no-bake
item related to the story and taste it.

Period Party:

A Menstruation Celebration

Wed • Dec 2 • 6 p.m.

Explore what a period is, how to
prepare and make an emergency
period pouch.

Hop and Bop

Fri • Dec 4 • 10 a.m.

Experiment with movement and
rhythm in this high-energy program.

Preschool Edible Science

Fri • Dec 4 • 10 a.m.

Taste, learn, have fun and experiment
with hands-on kitchen science.

Kids Yoga

Tue • Dec 8 • 6 p.m.

Jennifer from Healing Soul will teach
beginner yoga.

Canvas Art: Holiday Edition

Wed • Dec 9 • 4 p.m.

Learn techniques to paint on canvas.
Dress for a mess.

Book Buddies

Wed • Dec 9, 23 • 6 p.m.

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students in grades 1-5 to develop
reading skills and a love of reading.

Tot Art: Holiday Edition

Fri • Dec 11 • 10 a.m.

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a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Tales for Tails

Mon • Dec 14 • 6:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy
time with a registered therapy canine.
Sign up for a 15-minute session at the
Welcome Desk or call 317-535-6206.

Safe Sitter for Homeschoolers

Wed • Dec 16 • 1:30-4:30 p.m. &

Thu • Dec 17 • 1:30-4:30 p.m.

A two-day babysitting course on being
a safe and nurturing caregiver. \$25 is
due the day of the class. Age 11-16.

 Registration Required

 America 250

 All Ages

 Babies & Toddlers

 Preschoolers

 Elementary

 Families

 Teens

 Adults

 Seniors

COMING SOON!

Sprout baby box

For Johnson County babies,
ages 0-12 months



Sprout Baby Boxes help families plant the seeds of early literacy.
Grow a love of books, songs, and learning together!

Boxes include:

- A board book to start your baby's home library
- Storytime on the Go materials
- Song and rhyme activity book
- Information on getting a first library card
- A special JCPL gift for your baby

If you have welcomed a baby into your family, stop by any JCPL branch to pick up your Sprout Baby Box and start growing your little bookworm!

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

Crafternoon: Holiday Edition

Wed • Dec 16 • 4 p.m.

Make a Christmas-themed craft.

Homeschool Hangout

Thu • Dec 17 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

Family Movie Series:

Arthur Christmas (PG) 

Sat • Dec 19 • 2 p.m.

Baby & Me Playdate

Mon • Dec 7, 21 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Puzzle Bingo: Jr. Edition

Tue • Dec 22 • 6 p.m.

Play Bingo and win puzzles.

Get Your Game On, Jr.

Mon • Dec 28 • 2 p.m.

Bring friends for an afternoon of board game play.

Cupcake Cinema

Tue • Dec 29 • 2 p.m.

Decorate cupcakes and watch shows from Kanopy Kids. Dress for a mess.

Noon Year Eve Family Party!

Thu • Dec 31 • 11 a.m.

Countdown to noon for the New Year 2027!

Family Movie Series:

Frozen (PG) Sing-A-Long 

Sat • Jan 2 • 11 a.m.

Block Party

Sat • Jan 2 • 2 p.m.

Create works of art with LEGO® bricks.

Baby & Me Playdate

Mon • Jan 4, 18 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Kids Cooking

Tue • Jan 5 • 4 p.m.

Collaborate on kid-friendly concoctions! We'll make a no-bake item related to the story and taste it.

Hop and Bop

Fri • Jan 8 • 10 a.m.

Experiment with movement and rhythm in this high-energy program.

Preschool Edible Science

Fri • Jan 8 • 10 a.m.

Taste, learn, have fun and experiment with hands-on kitchen science.

Tales for Tails

Mon • Jan 11 • 6:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy canine. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or call 317-535-6206.

 Registration Required

 America 250

 All Ages

 Babies & Toddlers

 Preschoolers

 Elementary

 Families

 Teens

 Adults

 Seniors

PRESCHOOL STEAM

Keva Blocks and Edison Robots ✓ P

Wed • Nov 4 • 10 a.m.

Spirograph Art ✓ P

Wed • Nov 18 • 10 a.m.

Mystery STEAM Builds ✓ P

Wed • Jan 20 • 10 a.m.

PRESCHOOL TINKERING AND ART

Clear Ornaments ✓ P

Wed • Dec 9 • 10 a.m.

Penguins and QuiverVision ✓ P

Wed • Jan 6 • 10 a.m.

KIDS JR. CODING GRADES K-2

Ozobot Color Coding ✓ E

Tue • Dec 1 • 6 p.m.

KIDS JR. STEAM GRADES K-2

Robotic Hand ✓ E

Tue • Nov 3 • 6 p.m.

Escape Room ✓ E

Tue • Nov 17 • 6 p.m.

DIY Toy Car ✓ E

Tue • Dec 8 • 6 p.m.

Tinker CAD 3D Modeling Design ✓ E

Tue • Dec 15 • 6 p.m.

Tue • Jan 5 • 6 p.m.

ELEMENTARY STEAM

Robotic Hand ✓ E

Thu • Nov 5 • 4:30 p.m.

One Handle Drum ✓ E

Thu • Nov 12 • 4:30 p.m.

Escape Room ✓ E

Thu • Nov 19 • 4:30 p.m.

Tinker CAD 3D Modeling Design ✓ E

Thu • Dec 17 • 4:30 p.m.

Thu • Jan 7 • 4:30 p.m.

Canva Templates ✓ E

Thu • Jan 14 • 4:30 p.m.

LEGO® Building Prime ✓ E

Thu • Jan 21 • 4:30 p.m.

ELEMENTARY CODING

Ozobot Color and Block Coding ✓ E

Thu • Dec 3 • 4:30 p.m.

Ozobot Block Coding ✓ E

Thu • Dec 10 • 4:30 p.m.

GIRLS WHO CODE

Girls Who Code ✓ E T

Tue • Jan 12–May 11 • 4 p.m.

The first class is January 12.
Meets every Tuesday at 4 p.m.
for 18 weeks. Only register if
you can attend all sessions. This
program is for girls in grades 3-12.

TEEN STEAM

Robotic Hand ✓ T

Mon • Nov 2 • 4 p.m.

Two Handle Drum ✓ T

Wed • Nov 11 • 4 p.m.

Escape Room ✓ T

Mon • Nov 16 • 4 p.m.

Tinker CAD 3D Modeling Design ✓ T

Wed • Dec 16 • 4 p.m.

Exploring Sim Lab with Tinker CAD ✓ T

Mon • Jan 4 • 4 p.m.

Canva Birthday Cards ✓ T

Mon • Jan 11 • 4 p.m.

LEGO® Building Prime ✓ T

Mon • Jan 18 • 4 p.m.

TEEN CODING

Ozobot Color and Block Coding ✓ T

Wed • Dec 2 • 4 p.m.

Ozobot Block Coding ✓ T

Mon • Dec 7 • 4 p.m.

Programming Sensors ✓ T

Mon • Dec 14 • 4 p.m.

**Girls in Grades 3–12
Learn to Code!**girls who
codeExperience hands-on
activities that build
these skills:

- Coding
- Problem-solving
- Creativity
- Technology

The first class is
January 12. Meets
every Tuesday at
4 p.m. for 18 weeks.
Only register if you
can attend all
sessions.

**GIRLS WHO CODE
CORE VALUES**

- MORE THAN CODE •
- SISTERHOOD •
- IMPACT •

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

Children's Book Week Nov 9-15



**Bring your
stuffie and take a
picture at our
Winnie the Pooh
photobooth.**

**Enter the
Shredded Book
Contest—you
could win a gift
bag of prizes!**

Kids Yoga ✓ **P E**

Tue • Jan 12 • 6 p.m.

Jennifer from Healing Soul will teach beginner yoga.

Crafternoon **E**

Wed • Jan 13 • 4 p.m.

Make a winter-themed craft.

Book Buddies ✓ **E**

Wed • Jan 13, 27 • 6 p.m.

High school volunteers are paired with students in grades 1-5 to develop reading skills and a love of reading.

Family Movie Series: *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* (PG) **F**

Mon • Jan 18 • 2 p.m.

Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.:

Little Acts of Kindness ✓ **E**

Mon • Jan 18 • 2 p.m.

Bring a canned food item for our local pantry or a homemade card for a military veteran.

Canvas Art ✓ **E**

Wed • Jan 20 • 4 p.m.

Learn techniques to paint on canvas. Dress for a mess.

Tot Art ✓ **P B**

Fri • Jan 22 • 10 a.m.

Create tot-friendly art projects. Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Homeschool Hangout ✓ **E**

Thu • Jan 28 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

TEENS

Dungeons & Dragons ✓T A

Sat • Nov 7, 14, 21, 28 • 2:30 p.m.
Play D&D. Open to teens & adults,
experienced players or beginners.

TeenTastic Book Prom: Masquerade T

Fri • Nov 20 • 6-8 p.m.
Celebrate your favorite books with
games, crafts, pizza, karaoke and
more. This year's theme is
masquerade! Formal wear is
encouraged but not required.

Period Party:

A Menstruation Celebration ✓ T

Wed • Dec 2 • 6 p.m.
Explore what a period is, how to
prepare and make an emergency
period pouch.

Dungeons & Dragons ✓T A

Sat • Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 • 2:30 p.m.
Play D&D. Open to teens & adults,
experienced players or beginners.

Safe Sitter for Homeschoolers ✓ T

Wed • Dec 16 • 1:30-4:30 p.m. &
Thu • Dec 17 • 1:30-4:30 p.m.
A two-day babysitting course on being
a safe and nurturing caregiver. \$25 is
due on the day of the class. Age 11-16.

Dungeons & Dragons ✓T A

Sat • Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 • 2:30 p.m.
Play D&D. Open to teens & adults,
experienced players or beginners.

DESIGN A BOOKMARK CONTEST

Enter from Jan 2–31, 2027

Download an entry form at
PageAfterPage.org/bookmarkcontest
or pick one up at any JCPL Branch.

Winning entries will be printed and
available at all JCPL Branches!



CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

ADULTS

Plastic Canvas Redux ✓A

Thu • Nov 5 • 6 p.m.

Make surprise plastic canvas projects using leftover materials from previous classes.

Sew Together: Table Runners ✓A

Sun • Nov 8 • 2 p.m.

Learn how to sew a table runner. Basic sewing skills required.

Coffee and Coloring for Seniors ✓S

Mon • Nov 9 • 9:30 a.m.

Join other seniors for a relaxing start to the week. Coffee, tea and coloring supplies are provided.

Plastic Canvas Crafts:

Doghouse ✓A

Tue • Nov 10 • 1 p.m.

Make a plastic canvas house.

Crochet 101: Winter Hats ✓A

Wed • Nov 11 • Noon

Learn to crochet a winter hat with Connie Henderson. Basic crochet skills are required.

Paint Your Holiday Feast ✓A

Tue • Nov 17 • 3 p.m.

Paint a picture of your favorite holiday memories.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library ✓A

Wed • Nov 18 • 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read. To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Hidden Disgrace:

Revealing Distress Signals ✓A

Wed • Nov 18 • 6 p.m.

David Fierst discusses his book *Hidden Disgrace*, written after a visit to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

Crochet 101: Ornaments ✓A

Wed • Dec 2 • Noon

Learn to crochet cute ornaments for the holidays with Connie Henderson. Basic crochet skills are required.

Sew Together:

Snowman Ornament ✓A

Thu • Dec 3 • 6 p.m.

Learn how to hand-sew a holiday ornament with sewing instructor Katherine Anderson.

Plastic Canvas Crafts:

Gingerbread House ✓A

Tue • Dec 8 • 1 p.m.

Make a plastic canvas house.

What Are You Grateful For?

Drop by a JCPL branch and draw something you're grateful for—we'll hang it in our Gallery of Gratitude!

Nov 1-30
All JCPL Branches

CLARK PLEASANT BRANCH

Cooking in Season:

Fruitcake Mixer

Wed • Dec 9 • 6 p.m.

Participate in a fruit cake baking demonstration. Bring your own sample recipes to share.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library

Thu • Dec 10 • 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.
To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Holiday Puzzle Swap

Sat • Dec 12 • 3 p.m.

Swap puzzles with others! Bring puzzles that have all the pieces.

Coffee and Coloring for Seniors

Mon • Dec 14 • 9:30 a.m.

Join other seniors for a relaxing start to the week. Coffee, tea and coloring supplies are provided.

Behind the Page: Holiday Tea

Tue • Dec 15 • 6 p.m.

Sip on festive teas, enjoy finger foods, discover ways to find new books and learn about library resources. Everyone will come away with bookish swag and a longer TBR list!

DIY Holiday Snow Globe

Fri • Dec 18 • 4:30 p.m.

Create a snow globe to give as a gift.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library

Wed • Jan 6 • 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.
To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

LEGO® and Mocktails

Fri • Jan 29 • 4:30 p.m.

Enjoy mocktails while creating LEGO® designs. Bring your own set or make something original.

HOLIDAY COOKIE CONTEST

Sat • Dec 5 • 1-3:30 p.m.

Mutual Savings Bank,
Downtown Franklin



Registration Deadline:
Sun • Nov 29

Register Online
PageAfterPage.org/CookieContest

Mutual SAVINGS BANK

FRANKLIN BRANCH

CHILDREN

Elementary STEAM:

Design a 3D-Printed Ring

Mon • Nov 2 • 4–5:30 p.m.

Drop in and design a 3D printed ring using TinkerCad. Pick up your printed jewelry one to two weeks after the program.

Crafternoon: String Art

Wed • Nov 4 • 4 p.m.

Make art using string, such as weaving, string painting and more.

IRL Audiobook

Thu • Nov 5 • 4 p.m.

Enjoy crafts and coloring while we read *The Binder of Doom: Boa Constructor* by Troy Cummings.

Preschool Edible Stories:

Turkey Pretzel Rods

Fri • Nov 6 • 10 a.m.

Enjoy storytime and make turkey pretzel rods.

Baby & Me Playdate

Mon • Nov 9 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Amiguitos Storytime:

A Bilingual Journey

Tue • Nov 10 • 10 a.m.

Celebrate the colors, sounds and traditions of Latino culture through engaging stories, songs and crafts.

Kids Cookbook Club

Wed • Nov 11 • 4 p.m.

Cook and taste recipes from a cookbook.

Stories and Spoonfuls

Sat • Nov 14 • 10 a.m.

Enjoy a bowl of cereal and a side of stories.

Bracelet Buddies: Make & Trade

Mon • Nov 16 • 4:30 p.m.

Listen to music, trade friendship bracelets and make a new bracelet.

Paws to Read

Tue • Nov 17 • 6:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy dog. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or call 317-738-2833.

Art Explorers:

Potter Maria Martinez

Thu • Nov 19 • 4 p.m.

Learn about Pueblo artist Maria Martinez and make pinch pots in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

Tot Art

Fri • Nov 20 • 10 a.m.

Create tot-friendly art projects. Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Parachute Playtime

Fri • Nov 27 • 10 a.m.

Join us for parachute songs, rhymes and games.

Elementary STEAM:

Light-Up Holiday Cards

Tue • Dec 1 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn about circuits and electricity.

IRL Audiobook

Thu • Dec 3 • 4 p.m.

Enjoy crafts and coloring while we read *Magic Tree House: Narwhal on a Sunny Night* by Mary Pope Osborne.

Preschool Edible Stories:

Christmas Tree Cones

Fri • Dec 4 • 10 a.m.

Enjoy storytime and make Christmas tree cones.

FRANKLIN BRANCH

Lights Out Laser Tag

Fri • Dec 4 • 5:45–8:00 p.m.

Join us for a lock-in for tweens and teens. Play laser tag, enjoy pizza and make crafts. Permission slips are required and can be picked up at the Franklin Branch.

Holiday Storytime

Sat • Dec 5 • 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. • 

Get in the holiday spirit with stories, songs and more.

Roz Puppets: Winter Silly Bits

Sat • Dec 5 • 1 p.m. • 

Roz Puppets presents Winter Silly Bits! Join us for a puppet show where gingerbread men run, sugar plum fairies dance and snow is celebrated.

Amiguitos Storytime:

A Bilingual Journey

Tue • Dec 8 • 10 a.m.

Celebrate the colors, sounds and traditions of Latino culture through engaging stories, songs and crafts.

Kids Cookbook Club

Tue • Dec 8 • 4 p.m.

Cook and taste recipes from a cookbook.

Crafternoon:

Holiday and Winter Crafts

Wed • Dec 9 • 4 p.m.

Make a variety of winter and holiday crafts.

Little Scientists

Fri • Dec 11 • 10 a.m.

Discover scientific wonders through books, experiments and interactive learning.

Silly Safaris Reindeer Reserve

Fri • Dec 11 • 4:30 p.m.

Join us for Silly Safaris Reindeer Reserve starring one of Santa's Elves and a reindeer! Plus other animals from the North Pole.

Stories and Spoonfuls

Sat • Dec 12 • 10 a.m.

Enjoy a bowl of cereal and a side of stories.

Baby & Me Playdate

Mon • Dec 14 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Holiday Movie:

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

Mon • Dec 14 • 6 p.m.

Paws to Read

Tue • Dec 15 • 6:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy dog. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or call 317-738-2833.

WINTER CLOSINGS

JCPL WILL BE CLOSED ON

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY
Fri • Nov 13 • All Day

THANKSGIVING
Wed • Nov 25 • Close at 6 p.m.
Thu • Nov 26 • All Day

CHRISTMAS EVE
Thu • Dec 24 • All Day

CHRISTMAS DAY
Fri • Dec 25 • All Day

NEW YEAR'S DAY
New Year's Eve • Close at 5 p.m.
Fri • Jan 1 • All Day

FRANKLIN BRANCH

Bracelet Buddies: Make & Trade E

Thu • Dec 17 • 4:30 p.m.

Listen to music, trade friendship bracelets and make a new bracelet.

Tot Art P B

Fri • Dec 18 • 10 a.m.

Create tot-friendly art projects. Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Sensory-Friendly Movie:

Home Alone (PG) F

Sun • Dec 20 • 2 p.m.

Homeschool Huddle E

Wed • Dec 30 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

Elementary Edible Science:

Potato Chips E

Tue • Jan 5 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn how to make potato chips.

IRL Audiobook E

Thu • Jan 7 • 4 p.m.

Enjoy crafts and coloring while we read *Dragon Masters: Song of the Poison Dragon* by Tracey West.

Preschool Edible Stories:

Chocolate Cookie Penguins ✓ P

Fri • Jan 8 • 10 a.m.

Enjoy storytime and make chocolate cookie penguins.

Baby & Me Playdate B

Mon • Jan 11 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Amiguitos Storytime:

A Bilingual Journey P

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Celebrate the colors, sounds and traditions of Latino culture through engaging stories, songs and crafts.

Crafternoon:

Make Your Own Button E

Wed • Jan 13 • 4 p.m.

Make buttons and magnets.

Little Scientists ✓ P

Fri • Jan 15 • 10 a.m.

Discover scientific wonders through books, experiments and interactive learning.

Create the Dream: MLK Craft F

Mon • Jan 18 • 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Stop by the children's department for a collaborative craft to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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**Starting November 2,
pick up a free meal kit.***

**Each kit has everything you need to
make a chicken and rice casserole—
including the recipe!**

**If you have children, pick up a free copy
of the book *Jack and the Beanstalk* and
the French Fries by Mark Teague.**

**While supplies last at all Branches and JCPL on Wheels*

FRANKLIN BRANCH

Kids Cookbook Club

Tue • Jan 19 • 4 p.m.

Cook and taste recipes from a cookbook.

Paws to Read

Tue • Jan 19 • 6:30 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy dog. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or call 317-738-2833.

Bracelet Buddies: Make & Trade

Thu • Jan 21 • 4:30 p.m.

Listen to music, trade friendship bracelets and make a new bracelet.

Tot Art

Fri • Jan 22 • 10 a.m.

Create tot-friendly art projects. Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Homeschool Huddle

Wed • Jan 27 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

Art Explorers: Dr. Seuss

Wed • Jan 27 • 4 p.m.

Learn about children's author Dr. Seuss and how to draw in his signature Seussical style.

Parachute Playtime

Fri • Jan 29 • 10 a.m.

Join us for parachute songs, rhymes and games.

TEENS

Mixed Reviews Book Club

Thu • Nov 5 • 6 p.m.

Rant and rave over your current reads with other teens.

Painted Picture Frame

Tue • Nov 17 • 4 p.m.

Paint a picture frame.

Mixed Reviews Book Club

Thu • Dec 3 • 6 p.m.

Rant and rave over your current reads with other teens.

Lights Out Laser Tag

Fri • Dec 4 • 5:45–8:00 p.m.

Join us for a lock-in for tweens and teens. Play laser tag, enjoy pizza and make crafts. Permission slips are required and can be picked up at the Franklin Branch.

Perler Beads

Tue • Dec 15 • 4 p.m.

Learn how to make pixel art using Perler beads.

Mixed Reviews Book Club

Thu • Jan 7 • 6 p.m.

Rant and rave over your current reads with other teens.

Modern Mini Art

Thu • Jan 28 • 6 p.m.

Make modern art on a mini canvas.

 Registration Required

 America 250

 All Ages

 Babies & Toddlers

 Preschoolers

 Elementary

 Families

 Teens

 Adults

 Seniors

Christmas ^{in the} Heartland



Mezzo-soprano Audrey Johnson shares the unexpected history behind our nation's most beloved Christmas songs in this interactive concert.

**Fri • Dec 11
5 p.m.**

TRAFALGAR BRANCH



SILLY SAFARIS

REINDEER RESERVE

Meet one of Santa's elves
and a live reindeer!

Fri • Dec 11 • 4:30 p.m. ☒

Franklin Branch

Also at Merry Prairie:

Fri • Dec 11 • 7-8 p.m.

Trafalgar Branch





Celebrate
the Spirit of
the Season!

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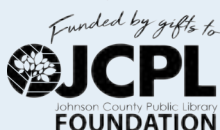
Fri • Dec 11
6:30–8:30 p.m.

ALL EVENING

Santa and Mrs. Claus visit
Crafts & games
Meet the Polar Express conductor

6:30 P.M. | Light up the Prairie

**7–8 P.M. | Silly Safaris Reindeer Reserve
with live reindeer**



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FRANKLIN BRANCH

ALL AGES

Film, Fact & Fiction:

Sergeant York  

Fri • Nov 13 • 6 p.m.

Johnson County Museum of History

Learn about one of the most famous and decorated American soldiers of WWI. The first 20 people to register and attend this program receive a free ticket to see the movie at the Artcraft after this event.

Face Painting

Sat • Dec 5 • 2:30–4 p.m. • **LSC**

Drop in for face painting during Franklin's Holiday Lighting!

Decorate a Holiday Stocking

Sun • Dec 6 • 2 p.m.

Decorate your own Christmas stocking using our Cricut and iron-on vinyl.

Jingle, Mingle, and Wrap

Fri • Dec 18 • 4 p.m.

Wrap gifts, color, drink hot chocolate and work on puzzles while listening to live music from the Greater Greenwood Community Band.

Pop-Up Sensory Room

Sat • Dec 19 • 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Drop in to explore sensory activities or spend time reading in a calm environment.

Film, Fact & Fiction:

The Shining  

Fri • Jan 15 • 6 p.m.

Johnson County Museum of History

Discover the history of motels on US 31 and learn about some of Stephen King's most beloved works. The first 20 people to register and attend this program receive a free ticket to see the movie at the Artcraft after this event.



Johnson County
Public Library

Read & Bleed Saves Lives

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Roll up your sleeves at these
Read & Bleed events:

Clark Pleasant Branch

Wed • Nov 18

Thu • Dec 10

9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Wed • Jan 6

9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Franklin Branch

Mon • Nov 9

Mon • Dec 7

Mon • Jan 4

2-6 p.m.

Trafalgar Branch

Mon • Nov 16

Mon • Jan 11

Noon- 4 p.m.

White River Branch

Thu • Nov 5

Tue • Dec 15

Thu • Jan 14

1-6 p.m.

To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+

FRANKLIN BRANCH

ADULTS

Cross-Stitch for Everyone:

Quilt Square ✓ T A

Tue • Nov 3 • 4 p.m. • LSC

Enjoy a relaxing hour of cross-stitching.
All skill levels welcome.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library ✓ A

Mon • Nov 9 • 2-6 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.
To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Caregiver Support Group A S

Tue • Nov 10 • 1:30 p.m.

Join Anna Williams, Programs Director
of A Senior Retreat, and meet others
on similar journeys.

Military Reads: *Patton's Prayer* T A

Tue • Nov 10 • 6 p.m.

Read and discuss *Patton's Prayer* by
Alex Kershaw.

Gingerbread Birdhouse ✓ A

Thu • Nov 12 • 6 p.m.

Turn a birdhouse into a
gingerbread house.

Learn about UFOs with Indiana MUFON A

Sat • Nov 14 • 1 p.m.

Join UFO researcher Raymond
Szymanski as he discusses the 1966
Michigan swamp gas UFO case.

ExplorARTory: Paint Your Book ✓ A

Wed • Nov 18 • 6 p.m.

Bring a book to paint in this freestyle
exploration hour.

DIY Felt Pennant Flags ✓ A

Fri • Nov 20 • 4:30 p.m.

Make a pennant flag featuring your
name, favorite team or
something unique.

Cross-Stitch for Everyone:

Holly ✓ T A

Tue • Dec 1 • 4 p.m. • LSC

Enjoy a relaxing hour of cross-stitching.
All skill levels welcome.

Christmas Crafting Cinema:

Elf (PG) ✓ A

Sat • Dec 5 • 1:30 p.m.

Watch *Elf* while you personalize your
own decorative stocking.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library ✓ A

Mon • Dec 7 • 2-6 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.
To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Caregiver Support Group A S

Tue • Dec 8 • 1:30 p.m.

Join Anna Williams, Programs Director
of A Senior Retreat and meet others on
similar journeys.

Puzzle Bingo ✓ S

Thu • Dec 10 • 2 p.m.

Play bingo and win puzzles! Everyone
will receive at least one puzzle.

Painted Mistletoe Sign ✓ A

Thu • Dec 10 • 6 p.m.

Paint a mistletoe sign.

ExplorARTory:

Ribbon Bookmarks ✓ A

Wed • Dec 16 • 6 p.m.

Make ribbon bookmarks in this
freestyle exploration hour.

Hot Chocolate in a Jar ✓ A

Thu • Dec 17 • 6 p.m.

Make a hot chocolate mix in a jar.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library ✓ A

Mon • Jan 4 • 2-6 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.
To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

FRANKLIN BRANCH

Cross-Stitch for Everyone:

Windmill   

Tue • Jan 5 • 4 p.m. • LSC

Enjoy a relaxing hour of cross-stitching.
All skill levels welcome.

Historical Cooking:

Gilded Age Lemonade  

Sat • Jan 9 • 1 p.m.

Make lemonade from 1897 New York!

Caregiver Support Group

Tue • Jan 12 • 1:30 p.m.

Join Anna Williams, Programs Director
of A Senior Retreat, and meet others
on similar journeys.

Hygge Night

Thu • Jan 14 • 5 p.m.

Read, color some postcards or do a
simple craft as you enjoy snacks and
relaxing music.

Honoring Dr. King: *Selma* (PG-13)

Film Screening  

Sat • Jan 16 • 1 p.m.

Free Legal Advice Walk-in Clinic

Fri • Jan 22 • 3-5 p.m.

Receive free civil legal advice from
River Valley Legal. This event is first-
come, first-served. Sessions are 15
minutes. No criminal law questions.

Resolution Punch Cards

Sat • Jan 23 • 2 p.m.

Try a new way to keep your New Year's
resolutions by making punch cards.

ExplorARTory: Faux Bouquets

Wed • Jan 27 • 6 p.m.

Arrange faux-flower bouquets during
this freestyle exploration hour.

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TRAFALGAR BRANCH

CHILDREN

Día de los Muertos

Mon • Nov 2 • 3:30 p.m.

Make papel picados, share stories and design ofrendas in honor of Día de los Muertos.

Baby & Me Playdate

Wed • Nov 4 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Paws to Read

Wed • Nov 4 • 6 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy dog. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or by calling 317-878-9560.

H-Club

Thu • Nov 5, 12, 19 • 10 a.m.

Homeschoolers! Join us for H-Club to learn new things, hear stories, make crafts and play games.

Pokémon Club

Mon • Nov 9 • 4 p.m.

Learn, play and connect through the Pokémon Trading Card Game and other Pokémon activities. No cards required.

Tot Art

Wed • Nov 11 • Noon

Create tot-friendly art projects. Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Family Engagement Night: Crochet at the Library

Tue • Nov 17 • 5 p.m.

Bring your family to crochet with Turning Point Domestic Violence Services. Pizza and crochet materials provided.

Make Your Own Butter

Thu • Nov 19 • 3:30 p.m.

Want to contribute to family dinners? Join us to make and taste butter.

FunAppetit

Thu • Nov 19 • 4 p.m.

Learn how to create delicious treats and gain confidence in the kitchen.

STEAM Together: Bread Science

Tue • Nov 24 • 4 p.m.

Perform science experiments and complete engineering challenges as a family. Age 3+.

Baby & Me Playdate

Wed • Dec 2 • 10 a.m.

Playtime with developmental activities and socialization for babies and caregivers.

Paws to Read

Wed • Dec 2 • 6 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy dog. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or by calling 317-878-9560.

H-Club

Thu • Dec 3, 10, 17 • 10 a.m.

Homeschoolers! Join us for H-Club to learn new things, hear stories, make crafts and play games.

Baby Rave!

Thu • Dec 3 • 2 p.m.

Dance to toddler techno tunes with fun lights and bubbles.

Pokémon Club

Mon • Dec 7 • 4 p.m.

Learn, play and connect through the Pokémon Trading Card Game and other Pokémon activities. No cards required.

TRAFALGAR BRANCH

Tot Art **P B**

Wed • Dec 9 • Noon

Create tot-friendly art projects.
Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Merry Prairie **F**

Fri • Dec 11 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.

There's a chill in the air and a twinkle in the eye - the holiday season is nearly here! Celebrate the spirit of the season as we light up the Library.

STEAM Together:

Cookie Engineer **F**

Tue • Dec 15 • 4 p.m.

Perform science experiments and complete engineering challenges as a family. Age 3+.

Colonial Games **250 F**

Wed • Dec 16 • 5 p.m.

Celebrate America 250 by playing games early settlers enjoyed.

Paws to Read **✓ E**

Wed • Jan 6 • 6 p.m.

Improve your reading skills and enjoy time with a registered therapy dog. Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Welcome Desk or by calling 317-878-9560.

STEAM Together:

Arctic Animal Art **F**

Tue • Jan 12 • 4 p.m.

Perform science experiments and complete engineering challenges as a family. Suitable for ages 3 and up.

H-Club **E**

Thu • Jan 14, 21, 28 • 10 a.m.

Homeschoolers! Join us for H-Club to learn new things, hear stories, make crafts and play games.

Pokémon Club **E**

Mon • Jan 25 • 4 p.m.

Learn, play and connect through the Pokémon Trading Card Game and other Pokémon activities.
No cards required.

TEENS

Nerd Night **T**

Tue • Nov 10 • 5 p.m.

Tue • Jan 26 • 5 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of games, movies and pizza at the Library.



Johnson County Museum of History

Join us for a discussion on these classic movies!



Sergeant York (R)

Fri • Nov 13

6 p.m.

The Shining (R)

Fri • Jan 15

6 p.m.



TRAFALGAR BRANCH

ALL AGES

A Visit with a Colonial Printer

Thu • Nov 12 • 6 p.m.

Learn about the craft of printing in the American colonies as local historian Rich Gotshall portrays a journeyman printer.

Christmas in the Heartland

Fri • Dec 11 • 5 p.m.

Enjoy an interactive performance by Mezzo-soprano Audrey Johnson that immerses audiences in the unexpected history behind our nation's most beloved Christmas songs.

Wrap Up and Wind Down

Mon • Dec 14 • 6 p.m.

Join us for hot cocoa, coloring and a calm, quiet place to finish your holiday gift wrapping. You bring the wrapping paper and gifts and we provide the rest.

Honoring MLK Day:

Martin's Big Words

Tue • Jan 19 • 6 p.m.

Read *Martin's Big Words* by Doreen Rappaport and make stained-glass window crafts.

ADULTS

Naloxone Community Training

Thu • Nov 5 • 6 p.m.

Learn to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and how to administer the overdose-reversal drug Naloxone.

QPR Gatekeeper Training

Mon • Nov 9 • 1 p.m.

If a friend or loved one is showing signs of suicide, do you know what to do or say? Learn how to question, persuade and refer.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library

Mon • Nov 16 • Noon- 4 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read. To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Wildflower Seed Collecting on the Prairie

Thu • Nov 19 • 4 p.m.

Collect native seeds on our prairie. Take some home and donate the rest for Johnson Co. Soil & Water's Little Native Seed Library Trail seed packets.

Festive Holiday Puzzle Bingo

Thu • Dec 3 • 6 p.m.

Play bingo and win puzzles. Everyone receives at least one puzzle.

Four Pillars of the New Retirement

Thu • Dec 10 • 2 p.m.

Learn how to take actions that will positively impact your quality of life in retirement.

DIY Glitter Ornaments

Wed • Dec 16 • 10 a.m.

Make glitter ornaments for your tree.

Digital Device Drop In

Wed • Jan 6 • 10–11 a.m.

Drop in to learn the basics of your new device and library services.

Digital Safety for Parents

Thu • Jan 7 • 4 p.m.

Learn about healthy online boundaries and the dangers of online grooming, solicitation and cyberbullying.

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Read & Bleed @ Your Library ✓ A

Mon • Jan 11 • Noon- 4 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.

To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit
RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Baking with Jensen: Muffins A

Thu • Jan 14 • 6 p.m.

Jensen Aldrich teaches you how to
make sweet and savory muffins.

Every Child Ready to Read:

Help for Caregivers ✓ A

Mon • Jan 18 • 6 p.m.

Learn how our children's librarians
incorporate ECRR Practices: Reading,
Writing, Singing, Talking and Playing
into storytimes.

Paint Your Pet A ✓

Thu • Jan 21 • 2 p.m.

Drop off or email a photo of your pet
to eeverling@jcclin.org by January 8
and we'll create your paint-by-
numbers canvas.

Weed It and Reap:

A Gardening Roundtable A T

Thu • Jan 28 • 2 p.m.

Experienced gardeners answer your
questions about what to grow, when to
plant and how to solve problems in
your garden.

Sound Healing A

Thu • Jan 28 • 6 p.m.

Immerse yourself in this sound healing
experience.

Authors
at JCPL

NOVEMBER EVENTS

#1 *New York Times* Bestselling Author

CHLOE GONG

Wed ■ Nov 18 ■ 7 p.m.

The Church on Jefferson Event Center
201 E Jefferson St • Franklin

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in conversation with Áine Cain

Thu ■ Nov 19 ■ 7 p.m.

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Sat • Dec 5 • JCPL Services Center (49 E Monroe St)



Holiday Themed

BOOK SALE

ON THE PORCH

10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Holiday Storytimes

10 & 11 a.m.

**Roz Puppets
Winter Silly Bits**

1 p.m.

Face Painting *(drop in)*

2:30–4 p.m.



WHITE RIVER BRANCH

CHILDREN

Family Matinee:

***The Princess Bride* (PG) F**

Wed • Nov 4 • 4:30 p.m.

Discovery Lab F

Mon • Nov 9 • 4:30 p.m.

We will introduce the building blocks of STEAM with activities and crafts.

Homeschool Hangout E

Tue • Nov 10 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

K-Pop Experience E

Tue • Nov 10 • 4:30 p.m.

Love K-Pop? Discover top groups from different generations, listen to music and try dance moves.

Little Scientists ✓ P

Wed • Nov 11 • 10 a.m.

Discover scientific wonders through books, experiments and interactive learning.

Dungeons & Dragons for Kids ✓ E

Wed • Nov 11 • 4 p.m.

Are you new to D&D? Explore characters and shorter adventures with the Library Dungeon Master.

Deep Divers:

Amazing Human Bodies E

Mon • Nov 16 • 4:30 p.m.

Love facts and the unusual? Join us as we dive into research on new topics each month and face the unknown.

Winnie the Pooh Celebration F

Wed • Nov 18 • 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate the 100th birthday of Winnie, Tigger, Piglet and the rest of the friends of the Hundred Acre Wood!

Family Matinee: *Trolls* (PG) F

Wed • Nov 18 • 4:30 p.m.

Slime Time ✓ E

Fri • Nov 20 • 4:30 p.m.

Make simple slime with everyday household ingredients.

Kindness Club E

Mon • Nov 23 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn how you can spread kindness in the community through stories, discussion and crafts.

Safe @ Home ✓ E

Tue • Nov 24 • 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Safe @ Home is a 90-minute Safe Sitter program for students in 4th-6th grade. It provides important safety training that helps kids prepare to stay home alone.

90s Night Tween Lock-In ✓ E

Fri • Nov 27 • 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Stay after hours for 90s-themed crafts, snacks, and a showing of *Harriet the Spy*. Permission slips are required and can be picked up at the White River Branch. Age 9-12.

Perler Party E

Mon • Nov 30 • 4:30 p.m.

Create a melted masterpiece.

Little Scientists ✓ P

Wed • Dec 2 • 10 a.m.

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Discovery Lab F

Mon • Dec 7 • 4:30 p.m.

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WHITE RIVER BRANCH

Homeschool Hangout

Tue • Dec 8 • 2 p.m.

Meet other homeschool students while you participate in activities about music, science, history and books.

Family Matinee: *Abominable* (PG)

Tue • Dec 8 • 4:30 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons for Kids

Wed • Dec 9 • 4 p.m.

Are you new to D&D? Explore characters and shorter adventures with the Library Dungeon Master.

Tot Art

Fri • Dec 11 • 10 a.m.

Create tot-friendly art projects. Stay after the craft for socialization and a short playtime. Dress for a mess.

Deep Divers: Pirates

Mon • Dec 14 • 4:30 p.m.

Take a deep dive into research on topics and face the unknown. New topic every month.

Inspired Art:

Mary Blair and Paper Castles

Wed • Dec 16 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn about artist Mary Blair through a story and create a castle from paper shapes.

Beaded Christmas Tree

Keychain

Thu • Dec 17 • 4:30 p.m.

Craft a Christmas tree keychain.

Slime Time

Fri • Dec 18 • 4:30 p.m.

Make simple slime with everyday household ingredients.

Movie and More:

Muppet Christmas Carol (G)

Tue • Dec 22 • 3 p.m.

After the movie, explore the Charles Dickens' classic in virtual reality.

Kindness Club

Mon • Dec 28 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn how you can spread kindness in the community through stories, discussion and crafts.

Indoor Snowball Fight

Wed • Dec 30 • 4:30 p.m.

First, design and build your perfect snow fort, then prepare for an epic indoor snowball fight.

Puzzle Bingo

Thu • Dec 31 • 3 p.m.

Play bingo and win puzzles. Everyone receives at least one puzzle.

Little Scientists

Wed • Jan 6 • 10 a.m.

Discover scientific wonders through books, experiments and interactive learning.

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WHITE RIVER BRANCH

Slime Time

Fri • Jan 15 • 4:30 p.m.

Make simple slime with everyday household ingredients.

Deep Divers: MLK Jr.

Mon • Jan 18 • 4:30 p.m.

Dive into research on new topics and face the unknown. Discover what influenced Martin Luther King Jr. and his key ideas.

Beaded Axolotl Keychain

Tue • Jan 19 • 4:30 p.m.

Craft an axolotl keychain using pony beads.

Yeti Watercolor Salt Painting

Thu • Jan 21 • 4:30 p.m.

Use watercolors and salt to paint a winter scene featuring a yeti.

Kindness Club

Mon • Jan 25 • 4:30 p.m.

Learn how you can spread kindness in the community through stories, discussion and crafts.

Preschool Edible Stories:

Mini Pizzas

Fri • Jan 29 • 10 a.m.

Taste, learn, have fun and experiment with hands-on kitchen science. This month, we'll make mini pizzas.

Teen Art Contest

Showcase Your Artistic Talent!

CATEGORIES

Grades 6-9 • Grades 10-12

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Nov 28–Dec 12



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Teen Art Contest RECEPTION

Sat • Jan 2 • Noon-2 p.m. • WRB

View the entries for the JCPL Teen Art Contest, meet the artists and vote for your favorite.

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WHITE RIVER BRANCH

TEENS

Teen Writers' Club

Wed • Nov 4, 18 • 6:30 p.m.

Calling teen writers to meet for discussion, inspiration and writing prompts and share your in-progress works.

Tetris Tournament

Sat • Nov 7 • 2 p.m.

Play Puyo Puyo Tetris 2 on the Switch 2. Prizes for first and second place. Snacks/drinks provided. Guests and parents are welcome to attend. Only register if you are competing. Age 11-19.

Teen Writers' Club

Wed • Dec 2, 16 • 6:30 p.m.

Calling teen writers to meet for discussion, inspiration and writing prompts and share your in-progress works.

Mario Kart World Tournament for Teens

Sat • Dec 5 • 2 p.m.

Prizes for first and second place. Guests and parents are welcome to attend. Only register if you are competing. Age 11-19.

Teen Writers' Club

Wed • Jan 6, 20 • 6:30 p.m.

Calling teen writers to meet for discussion, inspiration and writing prompts and share your in-progress works.

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament

Sat • Jan 9 • 2 p.m.

Prizes for first and second place. Guests and parents are welcome to attend. Only register if you are competing. Age 11-19.

ALL AGES

Chess Club

Sat • Nov 7, 14, 21, 28 • 9:30-11 a.m.

Sat • Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 • 9:30-11 a.m.

Sat • Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 • 9:30-11 a.m.

Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned player, come and test yourself in a friendly atmosphere.

JCPL Teen Art Contest Reception

Sat • Jan 2 • Noon-2 p.m.

Peruse the many amazing submissions for the JCPL Teen Art Contest. Vote for your favorite in the People's Choice Award.

Operation Gratitude

Mon-Sun • Jan 18-24 • All Day

Stop by to write letters and cards to share encouragement and gratitude to veterans, first responders or service members serving at home and abroad.

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MLK

REMEMBERING

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



Honoring Dr. King: *Selma* (PG-13) TA

Sat • Jan 16 • 1 p.m. • FRB

Create the Dream: MLK Craft F

Mon • Jan 18 • 9 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • FRB

Drop in to make a craft to celebrate his life and legacy.

Remembering Martin Luther King, Jr: Little Acts of Kindness ✓E

Mon • Jan 18 • 2 p.m. • CPB

Bring a canned food for a local pantry or a homemade card for a veteran.

MLK Day: Create Your Own Vision Board TA

Mon • Jan 18 • 2 p.m. • WRB

Create a vision board to inspire your dreams and goals.

Deep Divers: MLK Jr. E

Mon • Jan 18 • 4:30 p.m. • WRB

Discover what influenced MLK.

Operation Gratitude ALL

Mon - Sun • Jan 18 - 24 • All Day

Drop in to write letters and cards of encouragement and gratitude to veterans, first responders or service members.

Honoring MLK Day: *Martin's Big Words* ALL

Tue • Jan 19 • 6 p.m. • TRB

Read *Martin's Big Words* and make stained-glass crafts.

Confidential Assistance & Referrals



JCPL offers confidential social work support service at our branches.

We can assist with:

Filing unemployment claims
Food pantry referrals
Temporary shelter referrals
Transportation referrals
TANF/SNAP applications
Additional service needs

Find days and locations at

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WHITE RIVER BRANCH

ADULTS

Read & Bleed @ Your Library ✓ A

Thu • Nov 5 • 1-6 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read.

To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit

RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Hoopla Cookbook Club:

101 Blue Ribbon Dessert Recipes ✓ A

Mon • Nov 9 • 12:30 p.m.

Explore new recipes by preparing one from Gooseberry Patch's *101 Blue Ribbon Dessert Recipes* and sharing it with everyone. Sign up for a recipe at the Adult Reference Desk.

Hoopla Fantasy Book Club:

Mirror Mage T A

Thu • Nov 12 • Noon

Are you a fantasy fan looking to discuss your favorite? Check out this month's book by T. Kingfisher on Hoopla and join us for a lively discussion.

Fiber Arts and Fairy Tales ✓ T A

Thu • Nov 12 • 3:30 p.m.

Fri • Nov 27 • 3:30 p.m.

All fiber arts and skill levels are welcome! Bring your own projects or use the basic kit we provide.

Get Your Game On: Acquire ✓ T A

Sat • Nov 14 • 2 p.m.

Become a real estate mogul!

No experience necessary. We have one board for six players.

Silver Pathways Movie Matinee:

Circle the Wagen S

Tue • Nov 17 • 3 p.m.

Join us for a fun docu-dramedy about friends who attempt to drive a '72 VW bus across Route 66.

Fermentation: Learn to Make Kimchi and Sauerkraut T A

Tue • Nov 17 • 5:30 p.m.

See a demonstration on how to use fermentation to make kimchi and sauerkraut.

Weaving Workshop:

Make a Gift ✓ T A

Thu • Nov 19 • 4 p.m.

Learn to weave a holiday gift with Patricia Fulton.

All Abilities Get Your Game On ✓ T A

Sat • Nov 21 • 2 p.m.

Adults & teens with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their caregivers are invited to enjoy an afternoon playing games.

Wintertime Bottle Cap Art ✓ T A

Tue • Dec 1 • 5:30 p.m.

Create wintertime artwork with bottle caps!

Adult CPR & AED Training ✓ A

Wed • Dec 2 • 5-7:30 p.m.

Receive training and certification in CPR and AED devices by licensed American Heart Association trainers. \$28 is due the day of the class.

Create Your Own

Holiday Village ✓ T A

Thu • Dec 3 • 6 p.m.

Assemble and decorate a paper holiday village.

Movie Matinee: *Little Caesar*

Celebrating Edward G. Robinson S

Mon • Dec 7 • 1 p.m.

Fiber Arts and Fairy Tales ✓ T A

Fri • Dec 11 • 3:30 p.m.

Tue • Dec 29 • 3:30 p.m.

All fiber arts and skill levels are welcome! Bring your own projects or use the basic kit we provide.

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An Insider's Look at the Bicycle Industry

Sat • Dec 12 • 11 a.m.

Ever wonder what it takes to open and run a bicycle shop? Ben May of Bicycle Garage Indy has all the insider info.

Get Your Game On: Through the Desert

Sat • Dec 12 • 2 p.m.

Build your caravan of camels! No experience necessary. We have one board for five players.

All Abilities

Craft Closet Cleanout

Sun • Dec 13 • 2 p.m.

Adults & teens with intellectual/developmental disabilities, along with caregivers, are invited to help us clean out our crafting closet!

Hoopla Cookbook Club: Prepare a Holiday Favorite

Mon • Dec 14 • 12:30 p.m.

Share your favorite holiday recipe from any cookbook or tradition you choose. Visit the Adult Reference Desk to sign up for your recipe.

Read & Bleed @ Your Library

Tue • Dec 15 • 1–6 p.m.

Roll up your sleeve while you read. To schedule: 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org. Age 17+.

Hoopla Fantasy Book Club: Miss Percy's Pocket Guide to the Care and Feeding of British Dragons

Sat • Dec 19 • 11 a.m.

Are you a fantasy fan looking to discuss your favorite? Check out this month's book by Quenby Olson on Hoopla and join us for a lively discussion.

All Abilities

Get Your Game On

Sat • Dec 19 • 2 p.m.

Adults & teens with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their caregivers are invited to enjoy an afternoon playing games.

Junk Journaling

Mon • Jan 4 • 6 p.m.

Learn to make a junk journal, a handmade book created with repurposed materials. Use it for anything from travel to lists of your favorite things.

Bring Your Own Device: Basic Tech Help for Seniors

Thu • Jan 7 • 2–4 p.m.

Did you receive a new device from Santa and need some help getting started using it? Drop in with your device and get your basic tech questions answered.

Fiber Arts and Fairy Tales

Fri • Jan 8, 22 • 3:30 p.m.

All fiber arts and skill levels are welcome! Bring your own projects or use the basic kit we provide.

Hoopla Fantasy Book Club:

How to Be Eaten

Sat • Jan 9 • Noon

Are you a fantasy fan looking to discuss your favorite? Check out this month's book by Maria Adelman on Hoopla and join us for a lively discussion.

Hoopla Cookbook Club: The Pioneer Woman Cooks: The Essential Recipes

Mon • Jan 11 • 12:30 p.m.

Explore new recipes by preparing one from Ree Drummond's cookbook and sharing it with everyone. Sign up for a recipe at the Adult Reference Desk.

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THE PROPOSED WHITE RIVER
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Public Information Meetings

WHITE RIVER BRANCH

Thu • Nov 19 • 2 p.m. | Wed • Dec 16 • 10 a.m. | Sun • Jan 10 • 2 p.m.

TRAFALGAR BRANCH | Fri • Nov 20 • 3 p.m. FRANKLIN BRANCH | Sun • Jan 10 • 4 p.m.

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e-Bike Basics

Sat • Jan 16 • 11 a.m.

Learn the basic ins and outs of an

e-Bike, presented by Ben May of

Bicycle Garage Indy!

Get Your Game On: Ex Libris

Sat • Jan 16 • 2 p.m.

Assemble the best library! No

experience necessary. We have one

board for four players.

MLK Day: Create Your Own

Vision Board

Mon • Jan 18 • 2 p.m.

MLK had an amazing dream. Here is

your chance to create a vision board

that will inspire you to realize your

dreams and goals every day.

All Abilities

Get Your Game On

Sat • Jan 23 • 2 p.m.

Adults & teens with intellectual/

developmental disabilities and their

caregivers are invited to enjoy an

afternoon playing games.

Peaceful Puzzle Afternoon

Fri • Jan 29 • 2 p.m.

Relax after the busy holiday season by

working on jigsaw puzzles, word

puzzles and more.



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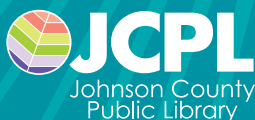
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