

YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS AT THE FRANKLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH:

TEEN PUMPKIN PAINTING! SATURDAY OCT 5TH 2:00-4:00PM

Teens! Join us outside on the library lawn for a lovely afternoon of pumpkin painting and fall snacks!

BOOK BADDIES SCAVENGER HUNT! OCT 18-20TH 1:30-3:30PM

Some of the baddest baddies have escaped their books!
Help us search the Children's and Teen Rooms to get all the baddies back where they belong!

STORYTIME STEAM! WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 9TH @10:30AM

Join us for a special reading of "Mixed" by Arree Chung, followed by a colorful and scientific story-related craft!

TRUNK OR TREAT! SUNDAY, OCT 27TH 1:30-3:30PM

Families! Dress up and join us in the library parking lot for a safe, little-kid friendly afternoon of trick-or-treating in the daylight! The parking lot will be full of decorated trunks and fun activities!

BABY-WEARING DANCE PARTY! FRIDAY OCT 11TH @9:00AM

Strap your little one in and join us for music and movement together! Bond with your baby in a fun, interactive way for this half-hour program!

TEEN MURDER MYSTERY PARTY! THURSDAY OCT 31ST @6:00 PM

Teens (ages 13+) are invited to step back in time this Halloween to solve a murder inspired by the true events of the Salem Witch Trials! Ann Putnam is dead! Who killed her, why, and most importantly, are there really witches among us?

DR. JUNGLESTEIN'S HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR MADNESS SHOW! SATURDAY OCT 12TH @1:00PM

Are you ready for some ghoul times? This 45minute program
combines Halloween
fun with Jungle Jim's
special brand of balloon
magic. Performance
includes the Thriller
Dance Challenge,
Mummy Balloon Wrap
Extravaganza,
Ghostbusters Training
and the giant 6-foot
balloon!

Month of ____

OCTOBER

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday - |
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| | | 1 Cool Cruisers! 9:30AM Get Ready for Kindergarten 10:30AM Code IT! 4:00-5:00PM | 2 Terrific Toddlers 10:30AM Construction Junction! 5:00-6:00PM Artist Amigos! 6:00PM | Tummy Time! 9:30AM Story Xplorers! 10:30AM Volunteens 6:00PM | Chess Club for Kids 3:30-4:30PM | 5 Baby Sensory! 10:30 AM Teen Pumpkin Painting! 2:00PM |
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REGULARLY SCHEDULED PROGRAMS FOR KIDS (WEEKLY & MONTHLY)

BABIES

Baby Tummy Time! Thursdays @9:30AM (For pre-walkers ages 0-12 months)

Babies and caregivers: join us each Thursday morning for Tummy Time! Nurture your baby's development with gentle music, movement, and sensory play at the library! Please bring a small blanket or towel for your baby's comfort!

Cool Cruisers! Tuesdays @9:30AM (For crawlers and early walkers!)

Babies who have graduated from tummy time and are scooting all over the place are welcome to this playgroup just for them! We recognize that fun age of exploring is very different from their first few months, so join us for a special playgroup just for this exciting time!

Baby Sensory! First Saturday of the Month @10:30AM

Join us for a 45 minute baby sensory program! Watch your little one interact and engage with a variety of sensory items! Sensory play is a fantastic way to help babies explore their worlds, stimulate the senses, and create little inquisitive explorers! Babies under 2 are welcome and encouraged! (Got older siblings? They can bring along a stuffed toy or baby and play along!)

BABY ON THE WAY

Bump and Beyond: A Group for Expecting Parents! 4th Wednesday of the Month, 6:30 - 7:30PM

No matter what stage you're at in your (or your partner's) pregnancy, you probably have questions. (Is this normal? What should we expect? How will we handle feeding and sleeping issues?)You're not alone! Join us at the library to share your questions, get answers, meet other expecting parents and build your parent tribe! We will be joined each month by lactation specialists, Nurse Practitioners, and parents Katie and Kim of Northeast Moms and Babies, who will be on hand to answer all your questions!

LITTLES

Move Along! Mondays @10:30AM (0-5)

This thirty minute program features music, movement, stories, and other interactive activities to encourage social skills and promote early literacy! Parents and caregivers are welcome and encouraged to participate. No registration required! Join us immediately after for an informal playgroup!

Get Ready for Kindergarten! Tuesdays @10:30AM (3-5)

This 45 minute program featuring stories, songs, activities, and crafts will help prepare your children for preschool and kindergarten. Parents and caregivers can attend with their child if they wish. No registration required!

Bookworm Bounce!

2nd Thursday of the Month & 4th Tuesday of the Month 4:00-4:45PM (0-5)

Kids ages 0-5 are welcome to join us for an afternoon storytime full of music, movement, stories, and other interactive activities to encourage social skills and promote early literacy! Parents and caregivers are welcome and encouraged to participate! No registration required!

Terrific Toddlers! Wednesdays @10:30AM (18 mos-3yrs)

Enjoy thirty minutes of interactive stories, songs, and activities for families and children from birth to age 3. No registration required! Join us immediately after for an informal playgroup!

StoryXplorers! Thursdays @10:30AM (0-5)

Join us for 30 minutes of themed stories, songs, and movement followed by 30 minutes of craft and sensory play. For children ages 0-5!

Happy Feet! 2nd and 4th Friday of the Month, 10:30AM (3-5)

Let's play some music and get those little toes moving! Join us for an introductory class into creative movement using very basic ballet moves. We will have fun learning to move to the music while building coordination and confidence. Laughter and giggles are definitely expected!

SCHOOL-AGE

Dungeons and Dragons Club for Kids! Mondays, 3:30-5:30PM (7-13)

Kids ages 7-13 are invited to join us for a weekly Dungeons and Dragons Club! The library will supply dice, rule books, and blank character sheets! We will be using the 5th edition books and rules. (Dungeon Masters must be ages 10 and up) Email mgousie@minlib.net to sign up!

Code IT! 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month, @4:00PM (4th grade +)

Come on in for an Hour of Code! Kids will explore programming with projects making videos and games with a splash of robot fun!

Recommended for 4th grade and up. To sign up contact mgousie@minlib.net.

Construction Junction! 1st Wednesday of the Month, 5:00-6:00PM (5+)

Kids 5 and up are welcome to join us on the first Wednesday of each month for a building bonanza! We'll use Legos, Lincoln Logs, Jix, and more to complete themed challenges! Bring your imagination!

Crafternoon! 2nd Wednesday of the Month, 3:30 - 4:30PM (3+)

Join us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month for a fabulous variety of themed arts and crafts designed for all ages!

Book Bites! 3rd Wednesday of the Month, 5:00-6:00PM (8-11)

Kids ages 8-11! Join us each month for snacks and a casual conversation about your favorite reads! Share what books you're loving lately, and get great book recommendations from others! This is a low key (and delicious) way to find your next favorite book or series!

Tales for Tails! 2nd Thursday of the Month @6:30 PM (2nd grade +)

Improve your reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to a trained therapy dog! Bring your favorite book or pick out one of ours to read. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. SPOTS ARE LIMITED. Email bcomeau@minlib.net to sign up!

Chess Club for Kids! 1st & 3rd Friday of the Month, 3:30 - 4:30PM (8-13)

A fun and educational program for kids? What more could you ask for? Whether you are new to the game or are a more seasoned player, we invite all kids ages 8-13 to join us!

BE SURE TO FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AND CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES!

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS! (12+)

Artist Amigos! 1st Wednesday of the Month, 6:00-7:00PM

Join us for a monthly artsy meetup in the teen room! Bring your own art projects to work on, or get inspired by fun prompts devised by our youth services librarians! Materials and snacks will be provided!

Teen Advisory Board, 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 6:30PM

Join us each month for Teen Advisory Board! The Teen Advisory Board is a GREAT opportunity to get involved here at the library! You'll help plan events and programs, create displays and decorate the teen space, and help drive decisions around the kinds of materials we bring to the YA collection, from books and beyond, all while eating snacks and getting volunteer hours! It's a win-win-win!

Volunteens! 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month, 6:00-7:00PM (6th-12th Grade)

Calling all Tweens and Teens! Are you looking to build your resume? Have you ever been interested in volunteering at the library? Well now's your chance. Join us Thursday nights twice a month for volunteer projects! Attendance to at least one meeting a month is required.

For more information please contact Bree at bcomeau@minlib.net.

Chapter Chew! 4th Thursday of the Month, 6:00-7:00PM (8th-12 Grade)

Join us each month for snacks and refreshments as we discuss our recent YA reads! Share what books you're loving and get recommendations from others! Have fun connecting with other readers and who knows, maybe you'll discover your next favorite book or series along the way!

Since we will be discussing YA titles, this group is recommended for students in Grades 8 and up, however anyone age 12 and up is welcome at their own (and their parents) discretion.

Girls Who Code! 2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month 1:00-3:00PM (6th-8th Grade!)

Club curriculum focuses on a culminating Girls Who Code Project, where girls work in teams to use their coding skills and bravery to solve a real world problem they care about by engaging in fun and simple self-guided coding tutorials that range from beginner to advanced in Scratch, Python, JavaScript, and Thunkable.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please email mgousie@minlib.net to join!

SPOTLIGHT ON: READER'S ADVISORY!

What is Reader's Advisory?

Do you ever find yourself finishing a book or series and dying for something else similar to it? We know how wonderful it feels to find a new book that captures your imagination as well as the last one! We call those similar books readalikes, and the process of helping our patrons find books that appeal to them is called Reader's Advisory! Reader's Advisory is a HUGE part of our job! We may ask you questions about books or authors you've loved in the past, and try to figure out what you may be in the mood for, and then we look to find books that we think you will enjoy based on the information you've given us! Here at the library, your librarians are happy to take time with you to help you find your next favorite book or series, but we also provide access to NoveList, a digital tool that you can explore at home or on the go!



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You can find NoveList on our website, in a new feature on the children's page titled "Click here for your next book obsession!" When you click on the Novelist link, it will first ask you to type your library card number, but then you will be able to explore the many awesome lists of readalikes to your heart's content! Have fun!

WHAT ARE YOUR LIBRARIANS READING?

Miss Caleigh is loving Frankly in Love by David Yoon! Her latest favorite picture book is Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris!

Miss Bree is currently loving *Linus the Little Yellow Pencil* by Scott Magoon, *Thunder Pug* by Kim Norman and *The Diviners* series by Libba Bray (a perfect spooky read for the Halloween season)!

Miss Mitzi is playing Cat Quest, reading Cruel Prince by Holly Black, and decided on Pokemon Sword (Sirfetch'd is the duck we need...)