

Summer Reading Challenge begins June 15!

A fun, new way to track your reading & learning with Beanstack

Join the library's Summer Reading Challenge online or using a paper reading record.

1. Starting June 15, go to oshkoshpubliclibrary.beanstack.org or download the free Beanstack Tracker app from the App Store or Google Play.
2. Follow the steps to choose Oshkosh Public Library.
3. Create a free account to track your reading minutes, complete virtual badges, earn great prizes and more! The Challenge runs through Sat., Aug. 22

If you'd like to use a paper reading record, please call 236-5205, 236-5208 or 236-5203, and we'll mail one to your address.

The Mark Gruenwald Comic Book Creation Challenge 2020

All ages

Complete information and details at facebook.com/MGCBCC
Get your pens ready and fight boredom while creating the next generation of Superheroes. This year, extra points will be awarded for a character or story that honors any essential worker during the COVID-19 pandemic. Go solo or work in teams of up to four people to complete a comic book. Pick up a free art kit at Oshkosh House of Heroes or ZaRoni's Pizza.

Storytime Live on Facebook

Preschoolers

June 19 – Aug. 28 Except July 3.

Fridays 9:30 a.m.

Join us on Facebook for a virtual storytime featuring stories, songs and fun themed activities designed to be engaging for caregivers and kids.

Storytime Anytime

Preschoolers

June 8 – Aug. 26

YouTube

New videos released Mondays & Wednesdays

Prerecorded stories, songs and activities you can access on your schedule.

Virtual High Hopes Early Literacy Storytime

Infants and Toddlers

YouTube

Enjoy prerecorded stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes while you learn how to teach your baby or toddler important early literacy skills.

Wonderlab @ Home

YouTube

Join us as we explore, experiment and create! Videos feature simple projects you can do at home.

Tween Book Club

Ages 9-11 years

Fridays 4:30 p.m.

Zoom

Join this virtual book club to meet new friends and talk about books! Ten free copies of the next book will be given away. Call the Children's Department at 920-236-5208 for your free book and to receive a Zoom access code.

June 5 *The Spiderwick Chronicles*

by Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black

July 10 *The Tale of Despereaux*

by Kate DiCamillo

Aug. 7 TBA

Virtual Family Performer Series

All ages

YouTube

All performances will be posted on the following dates:

July 14 Miller & Mike

July 21 Duke Otherwise

July 28 Lew-E & OOgly

Aug. 4 Jeff McMullen

Aug. 11 Randy Peterson

Just because we need to practice social distancing doesn't mean we need miss out on our favorite performers! Join us on YouTube for these virtual performances.

LEGOmania Design Contest 2020!

Ages 2 – 17

Submit a picture or video of your entry.

Mon., June 15 – Tues., Aug. 11

Hey LEGOmaniacs, it's time once again to turn your original LEGO design ideas into creations. Submit a photo or video of your design to <https://www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/legomania-registration>. Top two places in several age categories will be awarded. Check the website for details and guidelines. Winners announced on Fri., Aug. 14 on Facebook and the library's website. Call 236-5208 for more information.



Anytime Anywhere Scavenger Hunts

Beginning June 15

New Scavenger Hunts posted each week on Facebook

1. Nature Sensory Outdoor Hunt (Includes things to see, touch, taste and smell)
2. A to Z Object Hunt
3. My Colorful Day
4. Smooth or Rough: An Opposites Hunt
5. A to Z Letter or Word Hunt
6. 1, 2, 3 Hunt and Count with Me
7. Family, Friends and Me Scavenger Hunt (How well do you know the ones you love?)
8. Puzzle Hunt: Who will be the first to guess what the picture is while hunting for the pieces?

Play at your convenience! We'll release one per week for eight weeks. These can count as a family fun or outdoor activity for the Kids Summer Reading Challenge.

S.T.E.A.M. Take Home Kits

Beginning Mon., June 15

Collect all five! Call 236-5208 to arrange for curbside pickup of one of these S.T.E.A.M. inspired projects to make and do at home. A new one will be released every two weeks. While supplies last.

June 29: Botany in a Bag - Observe Growing Seeds

July 13: Skittle Chromatography

July 27: Catapult Engineering Kit

Aug. 10: UV Kid with Color Changing Beads

Aug. 24: Roll a Story - Games with Dice

Teen Book Club

Grades 6 – 12

Zoom

4:30 p.m.

Teen Book Club is going virtual this summer. Go to tinyurl.com/y8y3ualn to register and we'll send you the Zoom meeting link and password, plus instructions on how to pick up your free book using curbside pickup (while supplies last).

July 10 *The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* by Suzanne Collins

Aug. 7 *New Kid* by Jerry Craft

Librarian Learns

All ages

YouTube

Third Friday of the month at 9 a.m.

Local History Librarian Michael M. brings Oshkosh history to life like only Michael can in his new YouTube series, Librarian Learns. Fresh episodes posted monthly on the library's YouTube channel.

Stuffed Animal Campout

Stuffies of all ages

Mon., July 20 by 5 p.m.

Did you ever wonder what happens in the library after hours? Your stuffy can spend the week camping in the library. You can check out the adventures that happen while the library is closed when you pick them up the following Mon., July 27. Your stuffy will be tired so please don't pick it up before noon. Call 236-5208 to arrange for curbside drop off and pick up. All stuffies will bring photos of their adventures home!

Enchanted Creature Buddies

Preschool – 5th Grade

Submissions accepted June 15 – Aug. 11

Start by creating your 3-D creature. It can be your own creation or based on ideas like these:

<https://www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/content/enchanted-creature-buddies>

Then participate in up to three ways:

1. **Storyteller Creature** - Name your creature and share its story. What does it like or not like? Does it have friends? Does it have special powers? Go to <https://www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/enchanted-creature-buddies-registration> to submit your story and photo. Your submission will be posted on the library's website!
2. **Kindness Creature** – Have your creature perform an act of kindness. Take a picture or write about what they did. Go to <https://www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/enchanted-creature-buddies-registration> for the submission form. Need ideas? Go to [oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/content/enchanted-creature-buddies](https://www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org/content/enchanted-creature-buddies). These will be featured on the library's website!
3. **Movie Star Creature** – Let us feature your creature in a stop-motion video. Safely drop it off by Tuesday, Aug. 11 at the Children's Service Desk or call 920-236-5208 to arrange for curbside drop off of your creature. The video will be uploaded to the library's YouTube channel by the end of August.

Anytime Online Book Club

Facebook Live

Third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

General themes announced on Facebook. Like our page to see updates. If you like to talk about your favorite genres or titles with other book lovers, join us for a super fun, sometimes nerdy, always informative book club discussion with Michael M. on Facebook Live.

Library Closed

Fri. & Sat., July 3 & 4

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Mon. - Thurs. 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sunday Closed | (920) 236-5205