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* A Newsletter of the Fox Lake District Library 

On The Shores of Knowledge in Fox Lake

* SEPT. – NOV. 2025

**ONE CARD.
ENDLESS
POSSIBILITIES**

SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH!

Book Clubs

Book Club titles are available at the Circulation Desk.

MURDER MYSTERY *First Thursday of the month at 10:30 am* BOOK CLUB

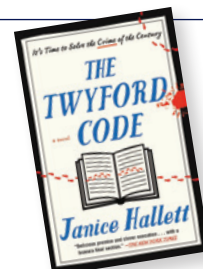
September 4:
A Girl Like You
by Michelle Cox



October 2:
The Lost Village
by Camilla Sten

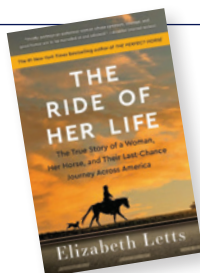


November 6:
The Twyford Code
by Janice Hallett



ANYTHING GOES *Second Monday of the month at 11:00 am* BOOK CLUB

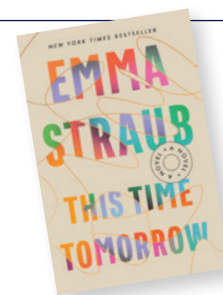
September 8:
The Ride Of Her Life
by Elizabeth Letts



October 13:
The Fox Wife
by Yangssee Choo



November 10:
This Time Tomorrow
by Emma Straub

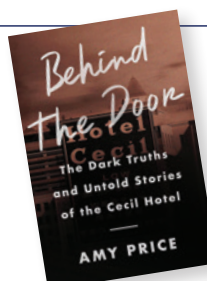


Better Read Than Dead: True Crime *Select Fridays at 10:30 am* BOOK CLUB

September 26:
Say Nothing
by Patrick Radden Keefe



October 31:
Behind the Door
by Amy Price

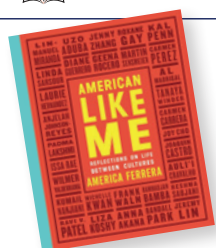


November 28:
Murderabilia
by Harold Schechter

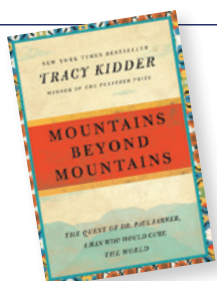


A Snapshot in Time: Biography *Select Wednesdays at 7:00 pm* BOOK CLUB

September 24:
American Like Me: Reflections On Life Between Cultures
by America Ferreran



October 29:
Mountains Beyond Mountains
by Tracy Kidder



November 19:
Project 562
by Matika Wilbur



Adult Events and Classes

*Register for events and classes through the event calendar at www.fllib.org or contact the Adult Services Desk.

Fiber Arts Club

First Thursday of the Month at 3:30 pm

Bring your knitting, crochet, needlework, or other crafts in progress and projects for a social crafting hour at the library!

This is not a class, though participants can share tips and techniques!



Food for Thought Cooking Club ^{RR}

First Saturday of the month at 2:00 pm

Bring your creativity and appetite to Cooking Club. Each month we'll pick a different theme. The task is to create a dish reflective of the theme to share at the meeting. In-person registration is required.

September 6: National Honey Month

October 4: Vegetarian Month

November 1: Chef's Choice



Adult/YA Grab & Go Crafts

Kits will be available on the first Monday of each month. Kits must be picked up in person. Due to limited availability, kits cannot be placed on hold. Colors may vary from the sample image.



September 8:
Nature Drawing



October 6:
Felt Skulls



November 3:
Coil Baskets

Mystery Busters! ^{RR}

Sharpen your sleuthing prowess with Mystery Busters! Sign up to snag your case file every first Monday of the month, then dive into the thrilling puzzles at home. Solve the final conundrum and submit your answer by the month's end to enter a prize drawing! Perfect for all you grown-up detectives aged 18 and up.



September 8: *The Secret of Easthaven Forest*

October 6: *Asylum*

November 3: *The South Ridge Stalker*

Murder Mystery Book Club Welcomes Author Michelle Cox!

Thursday, September 4 at 10:30 am

The Murder Mystery Book Club is buzzing with excitement to host author Michelle Cox at our September meeting!

We're diving into her gripping novel *A Girl Like You*, and guess what? Everyone's invited! Snag your copy at the Circulation

Desk and join us for the discussion and refreshments.



IPASS on Demand Event

Tuesday, September 9 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Staff from State Senator Craig Wilcox's office and the Illinois Tollway will be on hand to assist with I-PASS Sticker Tags and account management questions. This is a walk-in event.

Thank You for Being a Friend: 40 Years of the Golden Girls

Saturday, September 13 at 2:00 pm

We're giving a fabulous shout-out to our cherished Miami ladies as we roll out the golden carpet! Join us on a glittery journey through the show's sparkling past and flex those trivia muscles. Come dressed as your favorite Golden Girl and enjoy free snacks and sips—cheers to that!



Adult Events and Classes

Alpine Thunder

Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 pm

Prost! Get ready to raise your steins as Alpine Thunder returns to rock Oktoberfest with a mix of classic German tunes and favorite hits! Sip on some refreshing beverages and join the festivities!



Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, October 6 from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Not all heroes wear capes! Save a life, donate blood, and book your appointment today!



Happiness is ...

Celebrating 75 Years of Peanuts!

Tuesday, October 7 at 7:00 pm

Brace yourself for some Snoopy shenanigans as the Peanuts gang gears up to celebrate their 75th birthday bash! Dive into the wacky world of Peanuts history and test your knowledge in a trivia showdown.



Get Your Docs in a Row: Estate Planning

Wednesday, October 8 at 7:00 pm

The presentation provides an intro to estate planning fundamentals such as wills, trusts, and Powers of Attorney. Presented by Caren and Alan from Shire Law Group. This is a walk-in event.

Cosmic Romantics Seance Program

Saturday, October 11 at 2:00 pm

Elizabeth and Eric of *Cosmic Romantics* present a theatrical séance show filled with surprises and humor. This enchanting performance weaves together magic and mind-bending mentalism, whisking you away to connect with a spirit straight from vaudeville's glitzy golden days.

Medicare Seminar

Tuesday, October 28 from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Michael Dressendorfer will provide an informative discussion on Medicare and Medicare Advantage Plans. The session will cover a review of Medicare Advantage, Part D, and Medicare Supplement Plans for Lake County in 2026, along with guidance on how to file appeals for claim denials. This is a walk-in event; a small lunch will be provided to attendees.

Lake County Job Center Events at the Library

Mondays, November 3 & 17 from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

No registration needed. Want to attend online via Zoom? Sign up through the library event calendar. Presentation followed by the *Job Center on the Move* workshop from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

Job Search During the Holidays

Monday, November 3 from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Gain insight into contemporary job-hunting strategies, including how to organize your job search and utilize tools and resources to simplify the process.

Crafting Your Career Story

Monday, November 17 from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Create a compelling resume, cover letter, and professional summary. Utilize advanced AI tools like ChatGPT and learn about common pitfalls to avoid during the application process.

Job Center on the Move

After each workshop from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

One-on-one meetings with Job Center staff for:

- Connect with funding for training
- Develop or customize your resume (on a first-come, first-served basis, as seating is limited)
- Learn about growing businesses in your area
- Apply to Climate & Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA) opportunities
- Explore paid work experience (internship) options
- Discuss your career transition
- Job search assistance

Singing Bird and the Native Women of Illinois

Tuesday, November 4 at 7:00 pm

Kim Sigafus takes us on a time-traveling adventure, spotlighting the incredible Native women of Illinois, such as the legendary Singing Bird and Hononegah. She'll pull back the curtain on their lives, revealing love stories, family dynamics, and how these powerful women contributed to the epic tale of Illinois history.



The Teen Zone*

Autumn Leaf Painting

Friday, November 7 at 11:00 am

Enjoy a relaxing and creative activity transforming beautiful fall leaves into art! We will be doing dot paintings on top of fallen leaves and framing our artwork. Materials will be provided. Register today!



Foxy's Stand Up Showcase

Tuesday, November 18 at 7:00 pm

Laugh at the Library rolls out the chuckles with *Foxy's Stand Up Showcase*! Get ready for a side-splitting hour as three comedians tickle your funny bone with their hilarity. Don't worry, it's all squeaky-clean comedy—no political shenanigans here!



Home for the Holidays

Tuesday, December 2 at 7:00 pm

The festive season is casting its spell, spreading joy all around! Prepare for a cozy night at the library as the enchanting Heather Braodukis serenades us with "Home for the Holidays," a dazzling set of holiday classics. Delicious treats will be on hand!



Read with the Wolves: Winter Reading Challenge

December 1st - January 31st

The Chicago Wolves are back with a Winter Reading Challenge! Hit those reading targets and you could snag some fantastic prizes. Keep checking the library's website and social media for all the event details.

Video Game Club

Second Monday of the month at 6:00 pm

Reasons to join our exciting multiplayer sessions:

- Immerse yourself in a variety of games
- Experience friendly competition and teamwork
- Become part of a welcoming community of gamers
- Share your insights on games and the latest trends with your fellow enthusiasts!
- Snacks will be provided

Anime Club

Third Thursday of the month at 3:30 pm

Are you binge-watching a new favorite anime or want to show a classic to your friends? Relax after school with anime episodes and snacks!

Manga Book Club

Third Friday of the month at 3:30 pm

Snacks will be provided

September 19

Blue Period

by Tsubasa Yamaguchi



October 17

Little Witch Academia

by Yoh Yoshinari

November 21

Your Name

by Makoto Shinkai



Relatable Reads

Second Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 pm

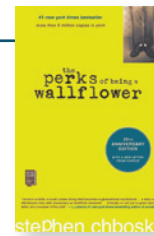
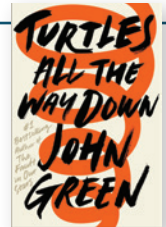
Snacks will be provided

Pick up a copy of the book at Circulation.

September 10

Turtles All the Way Down

by John Green



October 8

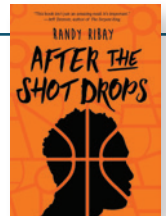
The Perks of Being a Wallflower

by Stephen Chbosky

November 12

After the Shot Drops

by Randy Ribay



Casa de Cultura

Tuesdays listed from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Inviting all teens to come and learn about Hispanic culture! Expect fun discussions, cool crafts, and a chance to connect with friends while learning something new! Snacks will be provided.

September 2 & 30

October 14 & 28

November 25

After-School Snacks

Wednesdays, starting September 3 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

Enjoy a snack and play games every Wednesday after school. The program runs through May 20, 2026, and is intended for students aged 18 years and under.

ALL AGES

Tabletop Game Night

Last Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm
(Third Thursday in November)

Brass City Games will be coming to the library once a month to show off new and exciting board and tabletop games! There will be stations for kids, teens, and adults, so all players are encouraged to attend and find their new game fix!

Mariachi Concert

Tuesday, September 16 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Kick off Hispanic Heritage Month with Mariachi Internacional De Oro! Move your feet to the vibrant beats of this local group! Enjoy refreshments while immersing yourself in the culture and community Fox Lake has to offer!



Beautiful Bats

Tuesday, October 21 at 6:30 pm

Do bats make you uneasy? These misunderstood creatures are vital for the ecosystem. Join the *Flying Fox Conservation Fund* to learn about bats, debunk myths, and meet a fruit bat at the event. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age!

Halloween Ball ^{RR}

Saturday, October 25 at 2:30 pm

Attend the spookiest party of the year! We will be offering henna and jagua tattoos, crafts, coloring, a movie, and tricks or treats for all to enjoy. All family-friendly costumes are welcome.

Foxy's Birthday Extravaganza

Saturday, November 15 at 2:00 pm

Guess what? It's Foxy's Birthday, and he's throwing a party that's set to be the wildest bash in fox history! Everyone's invited! There will be oodles of exciting activities and delicious snacks galore. Bring your party hats, because this shindig is open to all ages!



Kids' Corner

BABIES, TODDLER, & PRE-K

Playtime for Littles

Drop-in unstructured play for children 3 years and under with an adult caregiver in the Children's Activity Center.

Playtime sessions run Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10:00-6:00 pm.

September 2-4 & 30
October 1-2
November 4-6



Children's Storytime

Select Mondays from 10:00 am-10:30 am

Storytimes feature lots of singing, stories, and fun! Each Storytime session will have a different theme. Storytime is open to all ages with a guardian in attendance.

September 8 & 22
October 6 & 20
November 3 & 17

Foxy's Tater Tots

Select Tuesdays from 10:00 to 10:30 am, Ages 0-2 with a guardian

Bring your little tater tots over to the Children's Activity Center and join Foxy, our mascot, for storytime and movement activities!

September 9
October 7
November 18

Play to Learn

One Saturday a month from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Drop-in play for children 2 to 7 years old with a caregiver in the Children's Activity Center. Each themed event will feature hands-on activities to spark your child's imagination and engage their literacy, math, and social skills.

September 13: *Apple Orchard*
October 11: *Paranormal Investigator*
November 8: *Foxy's Birthday Party*

Foxy's Little Picassos ^{RR}

Select Tuesdays from 10:30 am-11:30 am, Ages 2-4 with a guardian

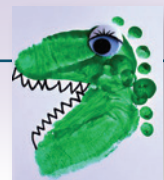
Bring your little ones to Foxy's Little Picassos where they can create their own little masterpieces!

September 16
Tummy Time Painting



October 14
Ghost Handprints

November 11
Footprint Dinosaurs



Play-Doh Playdates

Select Saturdays from 10:30 am-11:30 am, Ages 2-7 with a guardian

It's time for some Play-Doh fun! We have the Play-Doh and tools, all you need is your imagination!

September 20
October 18
November 15





Kids' Corner

KIDS AGES 5-8

Parachute Play

Select Tuesdays from 10:30 am-11:00 am,
Ages 2-5 with a guardian

Join in on the festivities at our parachute play times! You are sure to have an amusing time!

September 23
October 21
November 25



Foxy's Little Explorers

Select Saturdays from 10:30 am-11:30 am,
Ages 2-4 with a guardian

Calling all little explorers! Join Foxy for a different fun-filled adventure each month! Use your investigative skills to learn more about various topics through a variety of themed early literacy activities.

September 27: Autumn
October 25: Haunted House
November 22: Family

Baby Monster Mash

Friday, October 31 from
10:00 am-11:00 am,
Ages 0-4 with a guardian

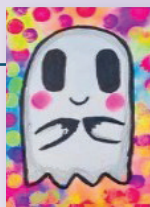
Calling all mini monsters! Get your glow on and dance the morning away with kid-friendly music and glow-in-the-dark fun! Come dressed in your best Halloween costumes!

Foxy's Junior Picassos^{RR}

Select Thursdays from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm,
Ages 5-12

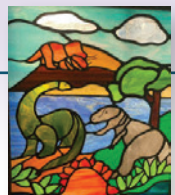
Designed for budding artists, this hands-on program encourages the Junior Picasso in you to create a masterpiece! Each session features a project inspired by famous art movements, iconic artists, or creating something completely original!

September 18
Chalk Pastel Leaves



October 16
Ghost Dot Painting

November 13
"Stained Glass"
Dino Paintings



Good Grief! Let's Make Comics!

Saturday, September 20 from
2:00 pm-3:00 pm, Ages 5-12

Celebrate the 75th anniversary of the beloved world of Charles Schulz's Peanuts with us! Young creators are invited to learn about and craft their comic strips inspired by Charlie Brown, Snoopy, and friends.

Good Boy, Good Book!^{RR}

Times and dates to be determined

Hank, a professional therapy dog from the Fox Lake Police Department, will be back to visit his friends this fall to hear you read your favorite stories to him. He is such a busy boy, we haven't confirmed the dates/times yet. Keep an eye out on Facebook and our in-house Youth Services calendar for final details!



Diggin' Dinovember

Saturday, November 29 from
10:30 am-11:30 am, Ages 5-12

Calling all future paleontologists! We're wrapping up Dinovember with a celebration of fossilized fun! Work your way through four themed activities to learn all about fossils, bones, and the dinosaurs that made them.





Kids' Corner

KIDS AGES 7-12

ALL AGES & FAMILIES

Lake and McHenry County Libraries Homeschool STEAM Program

Once a month, on Various Days, Times, and Library Locations

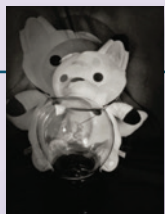
Ten public libraries in Lake and McHenry County have teamed up to offer monthly STEAM programs designed for homeschool students in Kindergarten through 6th Grade. With activities including crime scene investigation, gardening, slime making, marble runs, and more, there is something for ALL young learners to explore throughout the school year. Grab a Homeschool STEAM program brochure in the Children's Library for all the details!

Foxy's ImagiLab ^{RR}

Select Thursdays a month from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

Inviting all curious minds to explore the fascinating intersection of art and technology! Each month, we'll investigate different art forms and tools, past or present. Stay curious, get creative, be imaginative!

September 25
Faux Marimo Balls



October 23
Spirit Photography



November 20
Shadow Puppets

STEM into Learning ^{RR}

Select Wednesdays a month from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

Use simple materials to make various experiments while learning about STEM concepts!

September 17: Pufferfish
October 8: Oobleck
November 12: Spine Model



Let's Make... ^{RR}

Select Wednesdays from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm
Learn new skills and make new friends. Fall sessions will focus on using the Rainbow Loom.

September 24: Bracelet
October 22: Duck Charm
November 19: Fox Doll



Scavenger Hunt

Can you find the five pictures hidden in the Children's Library? Complete a new challenge every week to collect a sticker.



September Theme: Bugs
October Theme: Haunted Houses
November Theme: Video Games

I Spy Challenge

Check out our glass display case and complete a weekly I Spy Challenge. Find the four images and earn a temporary tattoo!

September Theme: Bugs
October Theme: Ghosts
November Theme: Pokémon



Riddle Scavenger Hunt

Complete our bi-weekly Riddle Scavenger Hunt to earn a special prize!

September Themes: Apple & Fox
October Themes: Witch Hat & Skeleton
November Themes: Dino & Gnome





Kids' Corner

ALL AGES & FAMILIES

Pop-Up Activity Table

Check out our new pop-up activity table in the Children's Library! Make a craft, learn about exciting nonfiction topics, play special games, and more! Activities will change constantly, so stop in often to explore!

Kid Collections ^{RR}

Do you have an epic collection you want to show off at the library? Pokémon cards? Squishmallows? Stamps? Artwork you've made? Sign up to showcase your collection in our new display case and share your passion for collecting with the library!

Adopt a Ghost

*All Day, October 1-October 31,
Ages 5 & Up*

Creep over to the Children's Desk to adopt a boo-tiful new friend this month—your own tiny ghost! One ghost per child while supplies last.



Kidbrarian for a Day ^{RR}

Ever wonder what your favorite librarians do behind the scenes? Sign up to be a Kidbrarian and spend an hour this fall with a member of the Children's Library learning how we shelve books, plan programs, and more! Create a book display of your favorite reads and earn a "mini master's in library science" certificate!

LEGO Club

*One Saturday a month from
11:00-12:00 pm*

Love LEGOS? Stop by the Children's Activity Room to build. LEGO creations will be displayed in the Children's Library for the month.

September 6

October 4

November 1



Two-Sentence Spooky Story Contest

*All Day, October 1-October 31,
Ages 5 & Up*

Can you write a two-sentence spooky story to scare the socks off Foxy? Grab a short story form at the Children's Desk, craft your two-sentence masterpiece of horror, and Foxy's favorites will win a prize!



Foxy's Book Buddies

A new ongoing program that instills the love of reading in your child!

Level 1 encourages you to share 1,000 books with your child before beginning kindergarten.

Level 2 challenges your child to read 500 books from kindergarten to the beginning of fifth grade. For each level, at different milestones, check in to receive swag!

Stop by the Youth Services Desk for more details and to sign up for this exciting program!





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Beautiful Bats

Tuesday, October 21 from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

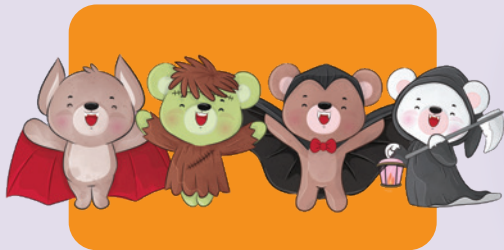
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Foxy's Frightfully Fuzzy Fashion Show

Saturday, October 25 from 2:00 pm-3:00 pm

Calling all spooky, scary stuffies and their humans! Dress up your favorite stuffie in a Halloween costume and help them strut their stuff in our frightfully fun fashion show. We'll snap some glamorous photos of your costumed companion and showcase their moment in the (ghost) light!



Stuffie Sleepaway Camp: Halloween Edition

Drop off between October 25 - 29,
Pick up on November 5

Drop your stuffie off at the library any time between October 25-29. Get them ready by filling out their permission slip! Over the weekend, follow their antics on social media as they enjoy a behind-the-scenes sleepover adventure at the library before picking them up on November 5.

It is recommended that children do not drop off a favorite Stuffie friend they can't be parted from for a few days!

Foxy's Haunted Howl-oween

October 27-October 31 from 10:00 am-8:00 pm

Foxy's favorite holiday is here, and he has a week full of spooktacular activities planned for his library friends, including crafts, games, and more! Peek into the Children's Activity Center every day to see what fun Foxy has scared up for you... *If you dare!* Show your Halloween costume off to the Children's Crew and receive a special prize!



Foxy's Jurassic Jamboree

All Day, November 1-November 30

Celebrate Dinovember with the Children's Crew! Answer dino-themed Would You Rather questions, enjoy a different dino activity each week on our Pop-Up Activity Table, and help collaborate with others in building a prehistoric dinosaur backdrop in the Children's Library!



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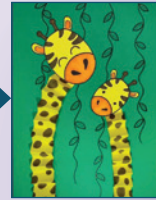
Bubble Tea September 2-September 7



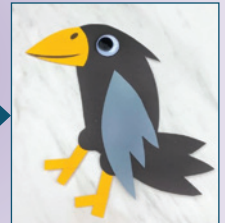
Corn September 8-September 14



Giraffe September 15-September 21



Crow September 22-September 28



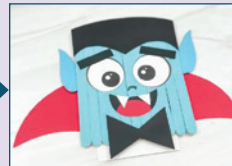
National Taco Day September 29-October 5



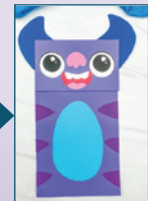
Zombie Cat Puppet October 6-October 12



Popsicle Stick Vampire October 13-October 19



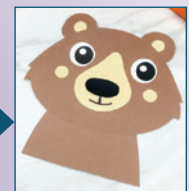
Monster October 20-October 26



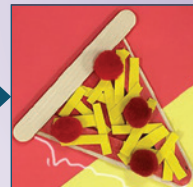
Paper Cup Mummy October 27-November 2



Bear November 3-November 9



Pizza November 10-November 16



3-D Paper Turkey November 17-November 23



National Cake Day November 24-November 30





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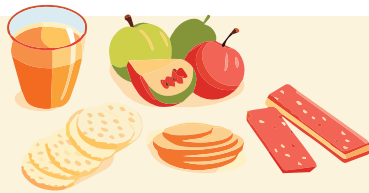
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After School Snacks



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Enjoy a snack and play games every Wednesday after school. The program runs through May 20, 2026, and is intended for students aged 18 years and under.

Book-A-Librarian



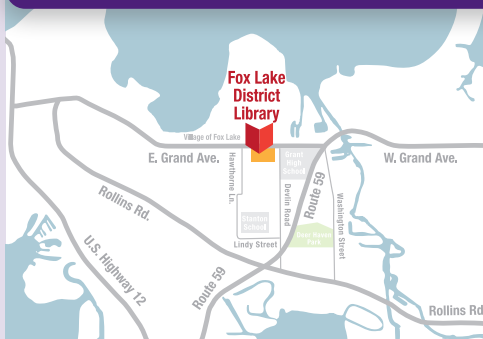
Looking for one-on-one help with internet navigation, library databases, setting up an email address, or word processing?

Schedule an appointment with a library staff member.

Scheduling is available as staffing permits.

Contact the library for more information.

**Please note all Book-a-Librarian sessions are 30 minutes in length.*



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Due to postal routing, some addresses not in our service area will receive this mailing.

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Library Hours:

Mon – Thurs 9:00 am – 9:00 pm

Fri - Sat 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sunday 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Photographs may be taken during library programs and events. Please notify library staff if you do not wish to be photographed.

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