



Take Your Child to the Library ~~Week!~~

Saturday, February 4, 2023

Ongoing Events (January 30-February 4)

Library Card Sign Up, Children's Room

Sign up for a library card and get your name on the "Build a Reading Habit" Wall of Fame, and a special prize (while supplies last!)

Lego Scavenger Hunt, Children's Room

Drop in and find all the lego creations hidden around the children's room to win book prizes!

Lego Checkout Challenge, Children's Room

For every book you check out, add a block to the Lego creation on the Children's Desk! Let's see what we can build as a community!

Special Events

Jan. 31: Build-A-Bookmark Craft (Gr. PK-6), Program Room - 3:00-6:00 PM

Build-A-Bookmark at the Essex Library!

Registration not required. Crafts available first-come, first-served, while supplies last.

Feb. 1: Open Lego Play (Gr. K-6), Program Room - 3:30-4:30 PM

Come hang out in the program room and play with Legos! Open play for children Kindergarten and above, with a chance for kids in grades 2-6 to prepare for the Lego Competition on Saturday! Bring your own Legos, or use some Legos from the library!

Registration not required.

Feb. 2: Lego Minute to Win it Challenge! (Gr. K-6) Program Room - 5:00-6:00 PM

Can you beat the clock? Face your friends in 60 second challenges!

Registration Required. Sign up at 860-767-1560 or e-mail staff.essexlib@gmail.com

Feb. 3: Open Lego Play (Gr. K-6), Program Room - 4:00-5:00 PM

Come hang out in the program room and play with Legos! Open play for children Kindergarten and above, with a chance for kids in grades 2-6 to prepare for the Lego Competition on Saturday! Bring your own Legos, or use some Legos from the library!

Registration not required.

Feb. 4: Take Your Child to the Library Day!

10:00 AM -- STEAM Storytime Challenge! (PK- Grade 2)

Join Miss Nicole for a special STEM Challenge story time featuring the newly released book *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* by Mac Barnett! Afterward, work together in teams using Duplo's to make a bridge for the Billy goats to escape the troll!

2:00 PM -- "Build" A Reading Habit Lego Competition! (Grades 2-6)

Work to build an amazing Lego creation! Bring your own Legos, or use some of ours! Judged by surprise community volunteers! Everyone wins!

Registration Required for both events.

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Kid's Corner



ESSEX LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION

February 2023

Take Your Child to the Library ~~Day~~ WEEK is here!

Take Your Child to the Library Week BINGO! (Jan 30-Feb 4)



Ivoryton and Essex Library are teaming up to give you FREE BOOKS!

Go to the Essex Library	Build with Legos	Play a board game	Check out a Non-Fiction Book	Go to the Ivoryton Library
Read for 20 minutes	Read to a younger friend	Learn a new game	Make a paper snake	Try a coding game on code.org
Sing a song - sing it loud!	Read an ebook on Hoopla	FREE	Teach a friend how to do something	Take a hike with friends
Make a Valentine	Go to a museum	Help a parent cook with a recipe	Eat ice cream	Make a Craft
Read a non-fiction book	Go to a program at Ivoryton Library	Do something helpful	Go to a program at Essex Library	Read a fiction book



Pick up a bingo card at Ivoryton or Essex Library, and bring your card to either library to get a stamp. When you get BINGO, hand in your card in at Ivoryton or Essex Library for a free book prize!

We can't wait to see you for Take Your Child to the Library ~~Day~~ Week! (Jan 30-Feb 4)

STEAM Saturdays (gr. K-6)



Enjoy a different STEAM (Science, Technology, Art, Mathematics) project at the library each Saturday!

February 11: Bouncy Balls

February 18: Rainbow Paper

February 25: Unpoppable Bubbles

See the program calendar for sign-up information!

Children's Program Calendar

February 2023

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
Take your Child to the Library Week -- "Build" A Reading Habit! 	30 Lego Scavenger Hunt Begins (All Week)	31 Wiggle Worms 10:30 AM Build-A-Bookmark Craft	1 Open Lego Play 3:30 PM	2 Lego Minute to Win It Challenge! 5:00 PM	3 Fri-YAY Stories & Play 10:30 AM Open Lego Play 4:00 PM	4 Storybook STEAM 10:00 AM Lego Competition 2:00 PM
5	6	7 Wiggle Worms 10:30 AM	8	9 Louie Listens 5:00 PM*	10 Fri-YAY Stories & Play 10:30 AM	11 STEAM Saturdays 10:00 AM*
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19	20 CLOSED PRESIDENT'S DAY	21 Wiggle Worms 10:30 AM	22	23	24 Fri-YAY Stories & Play 10:30 AM	25 STEAM Saturdays 10:00 AM*
26	27	28 Wiggle Worms 10:30 AM	* Register at 860-767-1560			

February 9: Louie Listens
Sign-Up from 5:00-6:00 PM

Did you know that reading to a therapy dog can not only improve your child's reading skills, but also their self-esteem and confidence?

Sign up for a timeslot for your child to spend time with and read to Louie the Labrador, a local, licensed therapy dog!

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What Programs Do YOU want to see?

Take our patron programming survey to let us know what programs YOU want to see in the library!

Scan the QR code, or visit:



<https://forms.gle/2TAE2P3xMLyMB2ucA>



Storytimes!

Tuesdays:

Wiggle Worms (Ages 0-3)
Program Room - 10:30 AM

A play-based music and movement story time for children and their caregivers!

Fridays:

Fri-YAY Stories & Play (Ages 0-5)
Program Room - 10:30 AM

A story and social time for young children and their caregivers!

No registration required for either storytime.

See website or Facebook/Instagram for last-minute cancellations.



BUILD a Reading Habit

at Take Your Child

to the Library ~~Day~~ Week!

January 30 - February 4th is Take Your Child to the Library WEEK at the Essex Library!

From a Lego Scavenger Hunt, a STEM Storytime, and a Lego Building Competition for grades 2-6, there's something for kids of ALL ages happening at the Essex Library!

Also, stop by Ivoryton or Essex Library to pick up your Take Your Child to the Library Week BINGO card to win book prizes!

Registration Required for some events. See full calendar on back of this sheet for details.