



**Waukesha  
Public Library**

# PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

**Fall 2020**

321 Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha, WI • 262-524-3692

[www.waukeshapubliclibrary.org](http://www.waukeshapubliclibrary.org)

**Children's Services: (262) 524-3692**

**Adult & Teen Reference: (262) 524-3682**

**Monday–Thursday: 9 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.,**

**Friday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Saturday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (year-round)**

**Sunday: 1–5 p.m. (Sunday after Labor Day to  
Sunday before Memorial Day)**

**Friends of the Waukesha Public Library** – Many of the programs offered in this brochure are made possible through the generous support of the Friends of Waukesha Public Library. Friends receive funds through membership dues, merchandise sales and donations. If you are interested in joining the Friends, information can be found in one of the brochures at the reference desks or on the library website.

*WPL is committed to providing the highest degree of accessibility within its means. Please call 262-524-3692 at least two weeks prior to an event with any disability-related accommodation requests. Every attempt will be made to honor all requests.*

## LIBRARY FRIENDS –

**The library continues to be open to the public with limited access to certain parts of the building, but we have several fun virtual programs and make-and-take activities planned for you and your child. Check out the list below and be sure to LIKE the brand-new Waukesha Public Library's Children's Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/WaukeshaLibraryKids](http://www.facebook.com/WaukeshaLibraryKids)**

## STORYTIMES & EARLY LITERACY

### 1000 Books before Kindergarten Reading Program

Reading with your child will build a solid foundation of pre-reading skills that will ensure your child enters 5K ready to succeed in school. Babies and children not yet enrolled in kindergarten are encouraged to sign up for the 1000 Books before Kindergarten Reading Program. Stop by the Library to receive

your first reading log or sign up for the online program using the Beanstack link on the Children's webpage.



### Virtual Laptime

**Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m., September 16–October 28**

For ages birth through 2 years. Snuggle and bond with your baby or toddler as we sing, tickle, kiss, and bounce our way into a lifelong love of reading. Registration begins September 1 and is required to receive the Zoom link.

### Preschool Fun Day Video & Early Literacy Kits

**Mondays, 9:30 a.m., September 14 – October 26**

Join us every Monday at 9:30 a.m. on the Children's Facebook page for a fun storytime that includes rhymes, songs and an activity focusing on the five early literacy skills: READ! TALK! SING! WRITE! PLAY! Pick up a different weekly Early Literacy kit at the library each Monday (while supplies last) to practice early literacy skills at home. Share your creations with us on Facebook or Instagram. Recommended for ages 3–5.

### Interactive Wiggles and Giggles Storytime

**Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., September 17–October 29**

Join Miss Kelli for an interactive storytime on Zoom.

It's a time for your child to "shake their sillies out," listen to some stories, sing, dance, smile and laugh.

Recommended for children ages 2–5. Registration begins September 1 and is required to receive the Zoom link.



# PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES ENJOYED BY OLDER CHILDREN

## 3D Printing Live!

**Tuesdays, 4:00-4:30 p.m., September 15-October 27**

Join us on Facebook for guided projects in 3-D design using TinkerCAD.com. We'll show you how to create an object and submit it to the library to be printed. A recording of each video will remain on our Facebook page if you want to follow along at a different time.

## Community Pen Pals

**September 1 thru December 30**

Do you like writing letters? If your answer is yes, you'll want to participate in our Intergenerational Community Pen Pal program. Each month you'll write a letter or fill out one of the templates included in your introductory kit. After it's ready, drop it in the special pen pal mailbox located on the first floor of the library. We'll connect you with a resident from a local senior community. Letters will be dropped off and picked up at the library. Registration begins on the library's program calendar September 1. Once you register, you'll receive more information on how to proceed.

## Tween Virtual Hangout

**Thursdays, 4:00-4:45, September 17-October 29**

Are you a 5th or 6th grader who likes to read and talk about books? Join us for our weekly Zoom hangout! You'll meet like-minded kids and get a chance to talk about what you're reading right now on our librarian-hosted virtual meetup! Join us every week, or whenever you have a free afternoon – register online and we'll email you the Zoom link!

## THINK – BUILD – CREATE!

### Instructional Videos & Grab 'n Go Bags

**Videos & bags available September 14-October 31**

Each Monday stop by the library to pick up a different themed "grab 'n go" bag - while supplies last. Bags include all the supplies you'll need to complete each week's activity (minus some basic household items, i.e. glue, tape, crayons) and instructions. On Thursdays we'll post a video with one of your favorite Children's Librarians giving you a demonstration for this week's activity. Check our children's webpage or Facebook for each week's theme. Recommended for school-age children.

## Homeschool Hangout

**Mondays, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 17 & Dec. 21**

**Ages 5-12: 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

**Ages 12-18: 2:00-2:30 p.m.**

Join other homeschooling families over Zoom for at-home activities like artmaking, playing games, and virtual scavenger hunts! Register online at [waukeshapubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup/calendar](http://waukeshapubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup/calendar) beginning September 1 to receive the Zoom link.

## PUPS AND POPS

**Thursday, September 10, 4:00-6:00 p.m., Cutler Park**

In collaboration with First Business Bank and HAWS Mobile Adoption Team, the library will host a special two hour event outside in Cutler Park – that gives kids and adults an opportunity to meet some of the adoptable animals available thru HAWS. There will also be popsicles (from Pete's Pops) available for everyone who joins us. Yum!

## FUN FOR ALL AGES

### Diverse Book-Talks For All Ages

**Wednesdays on the Children's Facebook Page at 4:00 p.m.  
September 16-October 30**

These talks introduce new and favorite titles that reflect the diverse experiences of children in our community.

### Wednesday Magic Tricks

**Wednesdays on the Children's Facebook Page at 6:30 p.m.  
September 16-October 28**

Learn a new trick to amaze your friends and family! Young, aspiring magicians can tune in every Wednesday night at 6:30 for ideas and tips.

### Reading Without Walls Reading Program

**Registration begins September 14**

Expand your horizons with our new reading club available on Beanstack! Adapted from Gene Luen Yang's reading program, our challenge is simple and fun for all ages. Complete three of the activities offered each month to reveal your badge and earn an entry to win free books! Register through our website at [waukeshapubliclibrary.org/children/](http://waukeshapubliclibrary.org/children/) or in-person at the library.



## LIBRARY CARE PACKAGES:

Our experienced Children's staff will be glad to help you find your next great read! Please fill out the "Book Request Form" on the children's webpage and we will check out some great titles for you to pick up. We can fill requests during our regular business hours. Please allow 4 hours for us to process your request, then come in and pick it up at the temporary Children's Reference desk on the first floor. Feel free to call us at 262-524-3692 with any questions!

## VIRTUAL PROGRAM REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

- **ONLINE** – Go to the Library's event calendar, [www.waukeshapubliclibrary.org](http://www.waukeshapubliclibrary.org) and click on the day of the event.
- **COME** to the Library or **CALL** the Children's Reference Desk, 262-524-3692.