


Kids Winter & Spring Programs 2026



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Programs are located in the Children's Program Room and do not require registration, unless otherwise indicated.

Learn & Grow: Preschool Programs

Books for Babies

January 7, 14, & 21 @ 10:00 AM

Learn about the newest board books for babies, then stay for playtime! We'll introduce titles hot off the press, share literacy tips, and read a story or two. Afterward, enjoy social time and unstructured play with our developmental toy collection. Playtime is unsupervised.

Stories Alive

Jan. 26, Feb. 9 & 23, March 9 & 23,
April 6 & 20 @ 10:00 AM

Stories spring to life at these drop-in storytimes for kids of all ages. Our storytellers will ignite young imaginations with puppetry, songs, interactive fingerplays, and imaginative activities. Watch as the magic of storytelling comes alive!

Wiggles & Giggles Storytime

Tuesdays @ 10:00 AM, Jan. 27 - April 28

**No storytime on February 10 and March 31*

Shake those sillies out with fun stories, singing, dancing, and more!

PajamaRama

Tuesdays @ 6:30 PM, Jan. 27 - April 28

Join Miss Kathy and her lovable puppet friends for cozy bedtime stories. PJs, pillows, and fuzzy slippers optional.

Baby & Toddler Storytime & Playgroup

Fridays @ 10:00 AM, Jan. 30 - April 24

**No storytime or playgroup on April 3.*

Infants, toddlers, and their caregivers are invited to join us for stories, music, fingerplays, and other activities that help foster a love of reading. Storytime is followed by an informal playgroup for families. Drop in and enjoy a room filled with toys, puzzles, music, and (of course!) books.

Messy Masterpieces

May 4, 11, & 18 @ 10:00 AM

Let your child explore art without the pressure of making anything specific. Kids will be encouraged to experiment, play, and discover their own artistic style.

Titles for Tots

January 9, 16, & 23 @ 10:00 AM

Discover exciting new children's books chosen to spark your child's imagination! We'll share valuable literacy tips and read a story or two. Afterward, stay to socialize while the kids explore toys that encourage creative, unstructured play. Playtime is unsupervised.

Music Mondays

Feb. 2 & 16, March 2, 16, & 30,
April 13 & 27 @ 10:00 AM

Thirty minutes of songs and rhymes will encourage singing, dancing, and playing.

Little Sweetheart Dance Party

February 10 @ 10:00 AM · Program Room A/B

Dance the morning away with your little sweetheart! Groove to family-friendly music and enjoy light refreshments.

Preschool Fun Days

Thursdays @ 10:00 AM, Jan. 29 - April 30

**No Preschool Fun Day on April 2.*

Kids ages 3-4 and their caregivers are invited to join us for a fun-filled morning of stories and early literacy activities. We will focus on the five key early literacy skills: READ! TALK! SING! WRITE! PLAY!

Family Storytime

March 31 & April 3 @ 10:00 AM

It's Spring Break! Join us for a drop-in storytime for kids of all ages.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Reading with your child builds a solid foundation of pre-reading skills that ensures they'll enter 5K ready to succeed. Babies and children not yet enrolled in kindergarten are encouraged to sign up. Stop by the Library to receive your reading log or sign up using the Virtual Reading Programs tab on our website.



Think, Build, Learn, & Create: School-Age Programs

Kids ages 5-12 are invited.

LEGO® Club

Feb. 5 & 19, March 5 & 19, April 2, 16, & 30 @ 4:00 PM

Play and meet other building buddies! LEGO® bricks are provided.

Creative Sparks

Jan. 28, Feb. 25, March 25, & April 22 @ 4:00 PM

Perfect for kids who love to explore different ways of creating, this program features a new hands-on art project each month. Registration is required.

January: 3D Collage

February: Mardi Gras Inspired Fashion

March: Translucent Paper and Watercolor Pencil Suncatchers

April: Mixed Media Garden Sculpting

Kids in the Kitchen

Feb. 18, March 18, April 15

4:30 PM • Program Room A/B

Learn about cooking and sample a tasty treat! Registration is required.

Chess Club

Jan. 29, Feb. 12 & 26, March 26, April 9 & 23 @ 4:00 PM

Connect with other players and learn new chess skills. All skill levels are welcome. Play will start with a beginner lesson, with intermediate advice offered throughout.



Drop in and explore the Library's Makerspace, Studio 321, during open studio times! Supplies are available to craft, build, learn, and tinker. All ages are welcome. Makers under age 11 must have an adult with them when using the space.

Classes for All Ages Thursdays @ 6:00 PM

Learn how to use the Glowforge Laser Cutter and 3D Printers. Registration is required.

Glowforge: Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 12, April 9

3D Printers: Jan. 15, Feb. 19, March 19, April 16

You can request one-on-one training on our Glowforge, 3D printer, Cricut, or AV rooms at any time. To schedule an appointment, contact us at Studio321Help@waukesha-wi.gov or call 262-524-3746.

Lizard Mosaic Project

Help us create a special art installation in 2026! Starting in January, pick up a free cardboard lizard and turn it into a unique piece of art. When you're finished, submit it to be part of our Lizard Mosaic. Let's cover Studio 321 in lizards!



JanBoree at the Library! Saturday, January 24

JanBoree is going to be "Out of This World"! We'll have "stellar" performances and hands-on activities that'll leave you seeing stars. Registration is not required.

Your Mars Vacation • 10:00 AM • Program Room A/B

Dr. Dennis Roscoe will walk you through your itinerary of tourist hotspots, along with your accommodations aboard the SpaceX Starship, for your three-year adventure.

JanBoree Art

1:00-3:00 PM • Studio 321

Create an "Out of This World" masterpiece in Studio 321. Open to all ages. Makers under age 11 must be accompanied by an adult.

Galaxy of Crafts

1:30-3:30 PM • Program Room A/B

Kids of all ages are invited to make galaxy slime, constellation patterns, and other make-and-take projects.

Family Fun: Activities for Kids of All Ages

Hello Saturday!

Saturdays @ 10:00 AM • Jan. 31 - April 18

Spice up your Saturday with a fun family activity.

January 31

Crafterday!

February 7

Bilingual Storytime with Amanda Stewart and *Treasures/Los Tesoros*

February 14

Valentine's Day Cards

February 21

Fairytale Storytime and LEGO® Building

February 28

Kohl's Wild Theater
Program Room A/B

March 7

HAWS Shelter Animals

March 14

Family Storytime with Miss Kelli

March 21

Simple Circuits and Robotics

March 28

Meet a Firefighter

April 4

HAWS Shallock Center for Animals • Program Room A/B

April 11

Frozen Book Party with First Stage Children's Theater

April 18

Fairy Houses
Program Room A/B

Art Reception • March 12, 4:30 - 6:00 PM

Join us in the Children's Department for music, refreshments, and an opportunity to create your own masterpiece. Artwork from the School District of Waukesha will be on display all month.

Family Book Club • April 2 @ 10:00 AM

Enjoy a children's book, participate in an activity based on the story, and take home a free copy of *Hope in a Jar* by Deborah Marcero. Registration is required. Register at the Children's Desk or call 262-524-3692.

Día de los Niños

Saturday, April 25

10:00 AM-12:00 PM • Program Room A/B

Join us for a bilingual celebration that connects families to diverse stories and honors cultural heritage.

