Library Board Report - Children's Department
June 4, 2026

Weekly Programs (average attendance)

- Art Club – art experiences: family STEM adventures: 23
- Book Babies – Emergent literacy skills for babies and toddlers: 49
- Dance Party – Whole body movement for positive emotions: 35
- Family STEM – STEM activities for families: 9
- Family Storytime – Building reading skills together: 12
- Kinder Ready – teaches parents skills for kindergarten readiness: 16
- Music and Movement – Early music principles and playful movement: 54
- Problem Solvers – STEM activities for preschoolers: 16
- Storytime – Early learning and literacy skills for preschool ages: 35

Recent Programs (total participants)

- Star Wars Day, 5/4/26: 276
- Pop in and Play, 5/11/26: 65
- Read to a Dog, 5/14/26: 14
- PBS STEM Activity – 5/26/26: 23
- Nectar Collectors Storytime – 6/2/26: 35
- Weather Scavenger Hunt, May: 733
- School Tours, May, 3 groups: 110
- School Visits for Summer Reading: Templeview and Linden Elementary Schools
- Over 5,000 Summer Reading Flyers dropped off to local elementary schools to promote Summer Reading

Year Long Programs

- Extreme Book Nerd for Kids, signed up, to date: 47
- Extreme Book Nerd for Kids, Your Way, signed up, to date: 144
- Special Edition Library Buttons, signed up, to date: 111
- 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, signed up, to date: 109

Summer Reading

- Kids set a goal
- Check in for a small toy prize and a coupon every 10 days
- A free book of their choice at day 30 and 60
- Grand prize tickets for every 10 days read
- 25 grand prize drawings

Upcoming Programs

- I Spy in the Library, Monthly Scavenger Hunts for June, July, and August
- Firefighter Storytime, 6/9/26 and 7/14/26 at 10:30 a.m.
- STEM in the Park – Community Park, learn about sound, 6/24/26 at 10:30 a.m.
- STEM in the Park – Highland Park, chemical reactions, 7/22/27 at 10:30 a.m.
- Read to a Dog, 6/25/26 at 4 p.m., sign up for 10-minute intervals
- Summer STEM Weekly activities, a different activity every week, 400 planned for each week, thanks to generous grants from Batelle Energy Alliance, the Idaho Environmental Coalition, and the Idaho Commission for Libraries.

Problem Solvers 4-10-2026



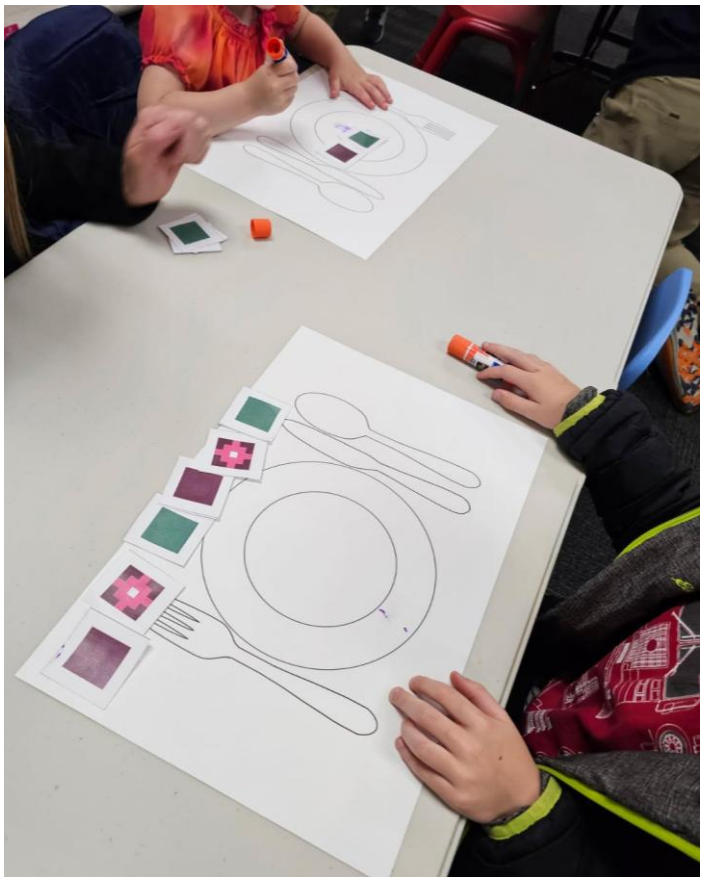
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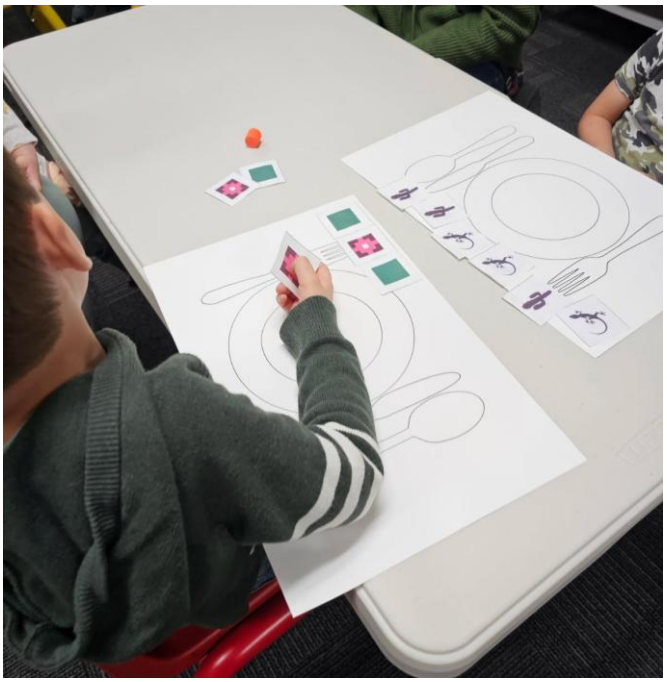


Problem Solvers 4-24-26



Patterns





Storytime 4-28-26

V is for Volcano





V is for Volcano continued





PBS Storytime 4-21-26



They learned about acids and bases along with testing for pH.



Temple View Elementary

Summer Reading Kick-off 5-8-





Star Wars Storytime 5-4-26
May the 4th be with you!





Star Wars Storytime (continued)





Family STEM Adventures-5-9-



DNA

Sequencing





Problem Solvers 5-22-26





PBS STEM 5-26-26

Bottle Powered Straw Rockets





PBS STEM 5-26-26 (continued)



Bottle Powered Straw Rockets

