

## **Library Board Report - Children's Department**

### **March 6, 2025**

#### **Key Takeaways**

- 338 Parents and children visited the Children's Library for Take Your Child to the Library Day.
- 165 Families completed the Family Winter Reading program, earning a game to play together.

#### **Weekly Programs (average attendance)**

- 1000 books before kindergarten: 9 new sign-ups
- Book Babies – Emergent literacy skills for babies and toddlers: 43
- Storytime – Early learning and literacy skills for preschool ages: 43
- Little Makers – STEM activities for preschool ages: 35
- STEAM Club K-3 – STEAM activities, early grades: 21
- STEAM Club 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> – STEAM activities, early grades: 35
- Family STEM – family STEM adventures: 40
- Pokémon Club – Pokémon card games and how to trade them: 25
- Dance Party – Whole body movement for positive emotions: 75

#### **Year Long Programs**

- Extreme Book Nerd for Kids: 5 new sign-ups
- EBNK Your Way: 19 new sign-ups
- Special Edition Library Buttons: 14 new sign-ups

#### **Recent Programs**

- 165 Families completed the Family Winter Reading program.
- Clifford's Valentine's Birthday: 234 participants
- Take Your Child to the Library Day, February 1: 338 participants
- Emotion Hearts Scavenger Hunt: 538 total participants

#### **Upcoming Programs**

- Family Storytime, Mondays at 6 pm will begin again in March
- Book Madness voting on favorite books all during March
- Spring Break Week, crafts and activities all week long
- Read Across America Day and Dr. Seuss Family Storytime, March 3 at 6 p.m.
- Wind in the Willows Special Storytime, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm
- Spring Break Week, crafts and activities all week long, March 24-28
- Children's Spring Challenge, March 11 to April 30
- Winnie the Pooh themed Spring Break Week, crafts and activities all week long

#### **Staff Professional Development and Training**

- Storytime in a Box with PBS
- Mistake #2: Violating the 5 Second Rule
- Mistake #4: Having an Audience
- 2025 is Your Year: Goal set for Success
- Mistake #1: Saying the Wrong thing
- Mistake #3: Ignoring the Bully Trap
- Why to Get Stuck and How to get Unstuck
- Early Learning LITT Chat – early STEM Concepts

# STEAM Club, 2/4/25

## Extracting DNA from Strawberries



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# Pop in and Play, 2/5/25 Town



# Pop in and Play, 2/5/25: Town



# Clifford's Valentine's Day 2/10/25 to



# Pop in and Play, 2/18/25: Dramatic Play



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# STEAM Club, 2/18/25: No Bones About It



# PBS Special Storytime, 2/18/25



# STEAM Club, 2/25/25: Brain Games



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