

TEEN PROGRAMS



Chill Out! Popsicle Squishy – Program in a Bag Bag Pick Up Begins Mon. May 6 All locations

Summer is almost here but the stress of finals can still be overwhelming. This cute popsicle squishy is the perfect thing to remind you that summer vacation is just around the corner while also giving you something fun to smooch. Many colors will be available to choose from, and video instructions will be available on MRCPL's YouTube channel!

Tissue Paper Flowers

Thu. May 9, 12-5 PM **Richland Mall**
Come in and learn how to make a bouquet of flowers for mom or a special someone!

Teen Taste Testing: Toaster Pastry Edition

Mon. May 13, 3-7 PM **Lucas**
Wed. May 15, 3-4:30 PM **Main**
Mon. May 20, 2:30-5 PM **Madison**
Thu. May 23, 12-5 PM **Richland Mall**
Thu. May 23, 3-5 PM **Lexington**

Pop(tart) over to the Library to sample delicious toaster pastries. Try them right out of the package or toasty warm from our new toaster. In person only.

★Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Sat. May 25, 2-3:30 PM **Main**
Summoning all fighters! Come test your combat skills in our *Super Smash Bros.* tournament! Registration is required.

TEEN MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Harry Potter Book Club

Tue. May 7, 4 PM

Lexington

Tweens & Teens

Join us each month as we read our way through the *Harry Potter* series by J.K. Rowling. Please come prepared to discuss *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

Anime Club

Thu. May 9, 5 PM

Main

Some anime may be rated TV-14 or M for mature teen audiences.

We will show the first 2 episodes of different themed anime with a side of free imported Japanese snacks. May's theme: Misfits and Outcasts.

Manic Monday

Mon. May 20, 3:30 PM

Main

Life as a teenager can be hard, and that is why you can count on us for relaxing activities with **free snacks!** We will provide activities designed to help you find your chill. Find us in the 2nd-floor conference room.



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MAY 2024

AT THE LIBRARY



All locations closed
**Sun. May 26 and
Memorial Day, Mon. May 27.**

ADULT ONLY PROGRAMS



★Walk This Way! May 1-31, All locations

Let's get fit together and win prizes! A confidential entry form will be available at mrcpl.org for you to log your walking distance and time. Prizes will be awarded Mon. Jun. 3. New this year – a random third prize pulled from all entries!

Plant Swap!

Thu. May 2 **Main, Parking Garage**
Mon. May 6 **Crestview**
Tue. May 7 **Butler**
Thu. May 9 **Madison**
Sat. May 11, 9 AM-1 PM **Lucas**
Mon. May 13 **Lexington**
Tue. May 14 **Bellville**
Thu. May 23 **Plymouth**
4-6 PM (all locations except Lucas)

Get ready for the growing season! Thin out your perennials, vegetables, or houseplants and swap them for something new to you!

★Butterfly Magnet Set

Tue. May 7, 6 PM **Lucas**
Thu. May 9, 6 PM **Crestview**
Mon. May 13, 6 PM **Butler**
Tue. May 14, 2 & 6 PM **Lexington**
Thu. May 16, 2 & 6 PM **Main**
Tue. May 21, 6 PM **Madison**
Thu. May 23, 2 PM **Richland Mall**
Tue. May 28, 2 & 6 PM **Bellville**
Thu. May 30, 6 PM **Plymouth**

With just a few materials, you will fashion a beautiful set of butterfly magnets for your home or office!

★Yoga at Bellville

Wed. May 15, 2 PM **Bellville**
Join Natalie at the Bellville Branch for an hour of beginner yoga to promote good health!

Trivia Night at Brumby's

Thu. May 2, 6 PM
Join us for this family-friendly trivia night at Brumby's Coffeehouse & Pizzeria in Bellville. Teams of 5 or less.

Finish It Friday

Fri. May 3, 17, & 31 **Butler**
Fri. May 10 **Lexington**
Fri. May 24 **Lucas**
1-4 PM
Need incentive to finish that project you're working on? Bring it to the Library!

Euchre Night

Thu. May 9 **Lucas**
Thu. May 16 **Butler**
Mon. May 20 **Bellville**
5:30 PM
All skill levels are welcome for this ageless strategic card game!

Burger & Brew Trivia

Thu. May 16, 6:30 PM
Join us for trivia night in the Hudson & Essex winery. Test your knowledge with an evening of questions. Teams of 5 or less.

Cookbook Club

Sat. May 18, 11 AM **Plymouth**
Fit for a King: The Elvis Presley Cookbook.
Elvis never goes out of style, and neither do the recipes in this cookbook. Bring a copy of the recipe and a serving utensil.

Yarn Creations

Mon. May 20, 3 PM **Bellville**
Meet up with other yarn crafters! Bring your own supplies and enjoy!

Taproom Trivia at The Phoenix

Tue. May 21, 6:30 PM
Adults 21+
Join us for our popular trivia night at The Phoenix Brewing Co. Test your knowledge or guessing skills as we work through a variety of categories. Teams of 5 or less.

Game Night @ the Library

Thu. May 30, 5:30-7:30 PM **Main**
Join us at the Library for an enjoyable night of games! Bring a friend or make new ones as we play *Codenames* this month. A variety of other card and board games will also be available.

ADULT BOOK GROUPS



Shelf Indulgence
Sat. May 4, 10 AM **Madison**
This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger

Bromfield Book Club
Mon. May 6, 6 PM **Butler**
The Heritage by Ellen Bromfield Geld

Bellville Book Club
Tue. May 7, 10 AM
Just Another Love Song by Kerry Winfrey

Well Read
Tue. May 7, 6:30 PM **Lexington**
Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Bits of Books
Wed. May 8, 2:30 PM **Lexington**
Join us as we share what we've been reading and leave with a great book list.

Book Buzz
Thu. May 9, 12 PM **Plymouth**
Astor by Anderson Cooper



Follow us on social media to join interactive groups, share what you're reading, and see what's new at MRCPL!

LIBRARY HOURS



Main Library **419.521.3100**
Mon.-Thu. **9 AM-8 PM**
Fri. & Sat. **9 AM-5 PM**
Sun. **1-5 PM**

Bellville Branch **419.886.3811**
Lexington Branch **419.884.2500**
Madison Branch **419.589.7050**
Mon., Tue., Thu. **9 AM-8 PM**
Wed., Fri. & Sat. **9 AM-5 PM**

Butler Branch **419.883.2220**
Crestview Branch **419.895.0010**
Lucas Branch **419.892.2576**
Plymouth Branch **419.687.5655**
Mon. & Tue. **9 AM-8 PM**
Wed., Thu., & Fri. **9 AM-5 PM**
Sat. **9 AM-1 PM**

Richland Mall **419.529.4912**
Mon., Tue., Thu. **9 AM-7 PM**
Wed., Fri. & Sat. **9 AM-5 PM**
Sun. **1-5 PM**

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★ Registration required.
Register on our event calendar at mrcpl.org unless otherwise noted.
Registration begins Apr. 15.

ADVENTURE
— BEGINS AT —
YOUR LIBRARY
COMING SOON!
SUMMER
LIBRARY PROGRAM
JUNE 3–JULY 27, 2024

READ, ENGAGE, WIN!

Kaleidoscope
Community Conversations

Matthew Desmond Kaleidoscope Speaker Series

Participants will be challenged to examine the topic of poverty as it relates to Richland County and similar communities struggling with income inequality issues.

MacArthur “Genius” Matthew Desmond and Princeton sociologist was launched onto the national stage as an expert on contemporary American poverty with the publication of his Pulitzer Prize winning bestseller *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. Combining years of embedded fieldwork with painstakingly gathered data, *Evicted* transformed our understanding of inequity and economic exploitation in America.

Even in the most desolate areas of American cities, evictions used to be rare. But today, most poor renting families are spending more than half of their income on housing, and eviction has become ordinary, especially for single mothers.

As we see families forced into shelters, squalid apartments, or more dangerous neighborhoods, we bear witness to the human cost of America’s vast inequality—and to people’s determination and intelligence in the face of hardship.

What does that mean for Mansfield, the current housing climate and what can be done to ensure quality housing for all residents?

Performance Date:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 5:30pm

rentickets.org

LEARNING LAB TECH CLASSES

Register online at mrcpl.org or call 419.521.3146 to reserve your seat. All classes are held at the Main Library unless otherwise noted. *Adults/teens*

PowerPoint – The Basics
Wed. May 1 9:30-11 AM
Understand slides and themes and learn how to manipulate images and text in our introductory class.

3D Printing Demo
Thu. May 2, 6 PM Main
Mon. May 6, 3:30 PM Lucas
This one-hour program will consist of a short presentation on what 3D printing is, how it works, and how it is being used. Then we will take an in-depth look at one of the Library’s 3D printers to see the process in action. This will be followed by a Q&A session, with information on how to utilize the 3D printers at MRCPL.

PowerPoint – Beyond the Basics
Wed. May 8 9:30-11 AM
Build on basic skills learned in the first class, learning new tips and tricks to create eye-catching presentations.

Intro to Computing
Mon. May 13 6-7:30 PM
Complete beginner? Never held a mouse? Join this friendly session and we’ll help you get started.

Internet Basics
Mon. May 20 6-7:30 PM
In this class we’ll explain the basics of searching and navigating the internet. Learn about browsers, search engines, and the cloud. (Complete beginners should take our “Intro to Computing” class first.)

Friends of the Library Evergreen Bookshop Sale

Members Only Sale:
Thu. May 2 12-5 PM

Public Sale:
Fri. May 3 12-5 PM
Sat. May 4 10 AM-3 PM

Become a Member for only \$3 per year. Get amazing discounts on gently used library materials and shop early! Join at the sale.

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Celebrate Your Pet Month of May Madison
Drop by the Library anytime this month to make a craft inspired by your pet for National Pet Month.

Chrysalis Countdown Month of May All locations
Stop by the Library all month long and watch as our chrysalises transform into a flying surprise!

Celebrate Peppa Pig Bellville
Wed. May 1, 10:30 AM
Come to the Library to listen to *Peppa Pig* stories, play games, and create piggy crafts to take home. It’ll be the bees knees!

National Pet Month Main
Thu. May 2, All day
Dogs, cats, birds, snakes, turtles... which pet would you get? Come to the Library and celebrate our favorite animal friends!

Butterfly & Caterpillar Scavenger Hunt
May 6-11 All locations
Our caterpillars will change into beautiful butterflies this month. Find all the butterfly-related pictures and get a prize!

Mother’s Day Take & Make Lexington Lucas
Beginning Mon. May 6
Beginning Fri. May 10
Pick up a bag full of crafts and activities that will help you celebrate your mom on Mother’s Day. While supplies last.

Read to the Dog! Main
Mon. May 6, 4-5:30 PM
Come to the Library to read a book or two to Teak, the Border Collie. Call 419.521.3130 to sign up for a 15 minute time slot.

Build It! Main
Wed. May 8, All day
Stack, assemble, balance and design your way through building challenges.

Cookie Archaeology Butler
Thu. May 9, 4 PM
Grades K-3
Dreaming of becoming an archaeologist? Stop into the Library and be ready to dig... into some chocolate chip cookies!

Crayon-tastic! STEAM Lexington
Mon. May 13, 4-7:30 PM
Ready, set, color! Swing by the Library and enjoy all the many ways to use crayons.

Eric Carle Story Time
Mon. May 13, 12-6 PM Richland Mall
Stop in to explore the wonderful world of Eric Carle with books, activities and crafts!

Mommy & Me Move & Groove Madison
Mon. May 13, 6 PM
Families
Move your body with us as we move through different activities, finishing with a gratitude craft. Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a towel to sit on.

Get Out and Play! Main
Wed. May 15, 3-5 PM
Let’s get outside and play! Drop by for bubbles, games, chalk, and more outdoor fun!

Grass Heads Main
Thu. May 16, 10 AM-12 PM
Make a silly grass head person to take home. Watch it grow a fine head of grass hair and then play barber.

CHILDREN’S MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Crafty Kids Richland Mall
Month of May
Stop in anytime to make a butterfly craft!

LEGO® Club Bellville Lexington Crestview Plymouth Madison Butler Lucas
Wed. May 1, All day
Mon. May 6, 5-7:30 PM
Mon. May 13, All day
Wed. May 15, All day
Mon. May 20, All day
Wed. May 22, 3-5 PM
Tue. May 28, All day
Grades K-5
Join the Library LEGO® club! Spend some time exercising your mad building skills with friends.

Story Time at BIM
Wed. May 1, 1 PM
Join our children’s staff the first Wed. of each month for a fun story time at the Buckeye Imagination Museum. (Museum admission is required.)

Mini Makers Crestview Madison Plymouth Main Butler Bellville Lucas
Thu. May 2, All day
Fri. May 3, 1-4 PM
Tue. May 7, All day
Tue. May 14, All day
Tue. May 14, 3-5 PM
Thu. May 16, 3-7 PM
Mon. May 20, All day
Do you like crafts? Join us at the Library for a new craft each month!

Monday Crafternoon
Mon. May 6, 12-4 PM Richland Mall
Stop by to make a Mother’s Day craft.

Stepping Stones Lexington
Fri. May 10, 10:30 AM
Children ages 4 & 5
Read stories, sing, and do activities that focus on community helpers and Kindergarten readiness skills.

Story Time at Relax
Mon. May 13, 10:30 AM
Join us for a fun story time at Relax, It’s Just Coffee in downtown Mansfield. Relax while we entertain your little ones with fun stories, songs, and crafts!

Move & Groove Main
Sat. May 18, 10 AM
Come join us as we move our bodies to a story or two and groove to some really great tunes!

Books Alive Story Time Main
Wed. May 22, 11 AM
Pre-K-Grade 3
This unique story time geared toward older children will offer themed stories and activities to bring books to life.

ADVENTURE PASS

Adventure Pass is your ticket to adventure in Richland County!

Discover and access free tickets to area attractions with your MRCPL Library card!

Registration required. For children’s programs only, please call the Library location directly to register. Registration begins Apr. 15.