July 2025

Zachary Branch Children's Services

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Summer Reading Challenge for Ages 0 to 11 The challenge starts June 1 and ends August 15.

Join the challenge and read to earn cool incentives!

- Log the books and/or time you read:
 - 1 book = 1 point

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- 30 minutes = 2 points
- Earn up to 6 drawing entries (one for every 5 points earned) for a chance to win something awesome in the weekly drawing!
- Earn 30 points total to complete the challenge and earn a certificate, a FREE book, a cool bag, a chance to win a gift card, and more!

August 15 is the last day to collect incentives.

Join the challenge in the Beanstack app or at ebrpl.beanstack.org! Paper logs are available upon request at any library location.

- Log in with your existing account or create an account.
 - A phone number or personal email address is required to be eligible to win any drawing incentives.
 - Use one account for the whole family!

If you previously participated in a library reading program and do not know your Beanstack account information or if you have questions, see staff for assistance.

We are happy to welcome all patrons of appropriate cognitive ages to our Children's Services programs with a helper as needed.





Storytime Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16

Family Storytime @ 10:30 AM: for children about 2 to 5 years old. Sessions last 30 minutes. Sorry, no goups.

Programs Tuesday, July 1, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Ages 6 to 11 <u>PATRIOTIC OWL MAKE & TAKE</u> Older children can come by the library to make a patriotic owl ornament from a pre-assembled craft kit. While supplies last.



Wednesday, July 2, 10:30 AM, Ages 2 to 5

ICE CREAM STORY/CRAFT

Join us today as we read *Ice Cream Face* by Heidi Woodward Sheffield, the story of a little boy who experiences a variety of different emotions while waiting in line for ice cream, his favorite food. After the story we'll make yummy looking ice cream cones (construction paper). **Sorry, no groups.**

Thursday, July 3, 2:30 PM, All ages

HARVEY RABBIT AND FRIENDS

Join Harvey Rabbit, Cecil the Orangutan, Miss Laura, and Mr. Tim as they bring fun to the library with ventriloquism, puppetry, music, magic, and comedy! It just wouldn't be summer without this gang's fun and entertainment! **Registration is required.**

The library will be closed Friday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Saturday, July 5, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Ages 6 to 11

READ ALL ABOUT IT NEW SPAPER

Older children can pick up a copy of the "Color Your World" newspaper to enjoy. **While supplies last.**

Wednesday, July 9, 10:30 AM, Ages 2 to 5

BUBBLEGUM STORY/CRAFT

Today we're reading *On Account of the Gum* by Adam Rex. Children will love this story, told in verse and propelled by charming illustrations, about one family's best efforts to get gum in the hair un-stuck... by any means necessary. After the story we'll make a cute gumball machine. **Sorry, no groups.**



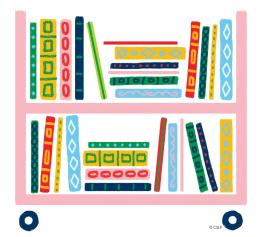
All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday, July 12, 10:00 AM, All ages BRIGHT STAR THEATER PRESENTS "PETER PAN"

Join Lenny and Mabel as they work to bring this literary classic to life in a hysterical play within a play. Enjoy the antics of Tinkerbell, the bumbling Captain Hook, Darling Wendy, and of course the free-spirited adventurous boy who just wouldn't grow up. **Registration is required.**

Monday, July 14, 2:30 PM, All ages

CHARLIE THE NOISE GUY PRESENTS SOUND SAFARI THEATER



Charlie the Noise Guy is a vocal sound effectionist who teaches kids how to create funny sounds with their mouths and how to use them in stories, cartoons, and reading out LOUD. Join Charlie to hear noisy tales about dinosaurs, airplanes, sneezes, and toilets and learn how to make your own sound effects. **Registration is required.**

Wednesday, July 16, 10:30 AM, Ages 3 to 5

BUTTERFLY STORY/CRAFT

Join us as we read *Butterfly Park* by Elly Mackay, the story of a young girl who discovers a vacant park next door to her new house that is intended for butterflies. When she has trouble getting butterflies to stay there, her new neighbors help her plant flowers to attract them. After the story we'll make melted crayon butterflies. **Sorry, no groups.**

Saturday, July 19, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Ages 6 to 11

ICE CREAM ORNAMENT MAKE & TAKE CRAFT

Older children can come by the Children's Department to make an ice cream ornament that looks delicious enough to eat (but please don't) from a craft kit. **While supplies last.**

Monday, July 21, 2:30 PM, Ages 4 and up

TRI-PARISH BALLET PRESENTS "UNDER THE BIG TOP"

Join us for a delightful and enchanting ballet performance by talented young dancers as they present "Under the Big Top." **Registration is required.**

Wednesday, July 23, 10:00 AM, Ages 5 and up

PROFESSOR UNIVERSE PRESENTS "FOUND IN THE STARS"

Join us for an interactive science-filled show! After Professor Universe gets abducted by an alien who steals his painting, he needs help from the audience and his star friend (who wishes to never become a black hole) to get back his stolen artwork! **Registration required.**



All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult.



Saturday, July 26, 11:00 AM, Ages 6 to 11 BIRD HOUSE STORY/CRAFT

Today we're reading *A House for Every Bird* by Megan Maynor, a hilarious picture book about how a young artist's drawings rebel against her when she tries to put her sketched birds in houses that match how they look, but not how they feel. After the story, we'll paint wooden bird houses. **Individuals are required to register**. **Sorry, no groups.**

End of Summer Reading Parties!

Join us for bouncy houses, games, prizes, face painting, balloon animals, magic, refreshments, and more! Each party is two hours. **Ages 2 to 11.**



Monday, July 28 South Branch at 10:00 AM Jones Creek Regional at 5:00 PM

Tuesday, July 29 Greenwell Springs Regional at 10:00 AM

Wednesday, July 30 Main Library at 10:00 AM

Groups are required to register. Call the hosting library location to register.



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