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Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 9-8 Friday 9-5 Saturday 9-4

What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: April 28, 2024-May 4, 2024

Donation Drive

Homework House

Monday, April 1 - Tuesday, April 30



Please consider donating this month to support Homework House in Holyoke, MA.

According to their mission statement, "Homework House's mission and programs are firmly rooted in the social justice vision of our founders and our programs have been inspiring children, supporting families, and transforming our Holyoke community for almost 15 years. We believe that every child is has unique gifts and talents and that all children are capable of excellence. Every child deserves access to high quality academic enrichment programs regardless of a family's ability to pay or the neighborhood in which they live.

Today, Homework House serves almost 90 youth each day at our two sites with the help of over 250 volunteer tutors. Homework House is an independent non-sectarian organization serving all children regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, or gender."

You can access the list of items they are most in need of by clicking <u>here</u>.

The drive will run from April 1st - April 30th, and donations will be accepted in the Storrs Library Front Lobby.

Longmeadow Food Pantry

Wednesday, May1 - Friday, May 31

Storrs Library will be hosting a food donation drive to support the Longmeadow Food Pantry which is in urgent need of non-perishable food items. We will be collecting items in the front lobby for the month of May.



Some suggested items to donate are: mac & cheese, granola and protein bars, jelly, canned beans, canned pasta, tuna, pudding, Jell-O, healthy snacks, tomato sauce, condiments, applesauce cups, fruit cups, brownie, cake, and cookie mix, jerky, rice, pasta, canned soups, canned vegetables, peanut butter, pancake mix, oatmeal, instant coffee, tea bags, and any other non-perishable and unopened items.

Youth Programs

Process Art (ages 3-6yrs) Monday, April 29, 10:00-10:45

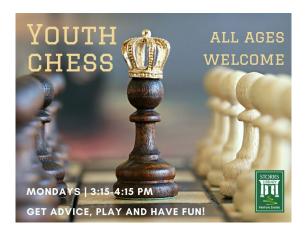


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Children ages 3-6 are invited to participate in this group with their caregiver. Process art is art that focuses on the experience and process involved in creating. It is free, open-ended art, meaning children are able to freely choose what materials to use, how to use them and what to create. This group is sensory friendly!

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Youth Chess (gr K+) Monday, April 29, 3:15-4:15



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All skill levels are welcome for chess and a challenge! Chess instructors will provide help for beginners and tips to sharpen your game for more advanced students.

Registration is required and limited.

Tot Time (ages 2-3yrs) Tuesday, April 30, 9:30-10:00

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A circle story time for children ages 2-3 years with their caregiver. Children will listen to stories, sing songs, dance, and enjoy hands-on fun with art or manipulatives.

Newbies (birth-15mo) Tuesday, April 30, 10:45-11:30

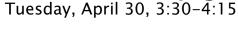


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Pathways for Parents CFCE presents Newbies at Storrs Library. Participants in this group will receive developmental milestone information, ways to engage in floor time play, resources, and opportunities to connect to other caregivers of children this age. Newbies is targeted for ages birth-15 months old.

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LEGOs at the Library (gr K+)





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Children in kindergarten and older are invited to join us for a LEGO building experience. Design and build a structure, then name it and display it!

Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs)

Wednesday, May 1, 9:30-10:30

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Join Pathways for Parents CFCE for Grow



Play Learn at Storrs Library. This group will include a storytime curriculum, fun play activities and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire. This program is geared for children up through age five with a caregiver.

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You & Me in Music (birth-3yrs)

Wednesday, May 1, 11:30-12:15



Children from birth to age three are invited to a musical, movement-filled morning with Renee Coro, Musical Therapist of Harmonious Happenings. Children and their caregiver will use musical instruments and scarves to play and move along with Miss Renee. Register HERE for all 5 sessions.

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Gaming Zone (ages 6+)

Wednesday, May 1, 3:30-4:30



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Kids and up and invited to play video games at the library! With ipads, chrome books, and a Wii, kids can explore games like Minecraft, KidPix, Webkinz, Just Dance 2014 (rated E 10+), and more.

Tiny Tales (ages 1-2yrs) Thursday, May 2, 9:30-10:00

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A lapsit storytime for children ages 12 to 24 months with their caregiver. Children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, fingerplays and free play, with an emphasis on repetition and social interaction.



Me, You and We (ages 3-5yrs)

Friday, May 3, 9:30-10:00



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"Me, You and We" is a playgroup that will support 3-5 year olds and their caregivers in developing and practicing socialemotional skills. Curriculum includes learning about others, understanding and managing feelings, following directions, taking turns, and solving problems.

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<u>Lunch Bunch (age 15months-3yrs)</u>

Friday, May 3, 10:30-11:15



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This group will provide an opportunity for children and families to connect over building healthy relationships around food choices. We will work on incorporating and introducing items from the 5 food groups while enjoying and creating a healthy snack together. This group will focus on sensory exploration with the foods we create, and listening to an interactive book while eating our creations.(Nut and dairy free foods will be offered).

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More Than Mom Drop-In Playgroup Saturday, May 4, 10:00-11:00



A drop-in playgroup for parents with kiddos up to 18 months, hosted by More Than Mom Inc., a nonprofit group providing support to area parents. This program is also a collaboration with The Mom Walk Co. - East Longmeadow, a social group for mama's and their little ones. We'll have a story, bring out some toys, and everyone (parents included) will make some new friends!

In Case You Missed...

Discovery Room Guessing Jar



Pop into the Discovery Room to test your estimating skills and enter a chance to win a prize. The participant who guesses correctly, or has the closest guess, wins the jar, the contents and a plush.

Discovery Room Scavenger Hunt



Go on a quest in the Discovery Room and locate the list of items hidden around the room. Each month a new Scavenger Hunt will be displayed. One lucky participant will win a prize at the end of the month. Join us in the fun!

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