# WINTER PROGRAMS

FOR KIDS THROUGH TEENS AT AWPL

## Registration begins Saturday, December 13, online at 8:00am for most programs.

Programs are open to children in the WVCSD with a valid AWPL card. Child must be specified age by beginning of program.



**IMPORTANT!** 

For multi-week programs you must register for every week that you are available to attend, not just the first week. Thank you!

#### **Events for Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers**

Preschool Music With Mr. Tepper

Music, medi"play"tion + bubbles = fun! 3 - 5 years w/caregiver.

Mon., Jan. 5 - Feb. 2, 10:00 - 10:45am

**Preschool Story Time** 

Stories, songs & a craft. 3 - 5 years, on their own. Mon., Jan. 5 - Feb. 9, 11:00 - 11:45am

Sensory Playtime

Imprové problem solving, motor skills, and language development while digging into tubs of different materials. 2-5 years w/caregiver.

Tues., Jan. 6 - Feb. 10, 11:00 - 11:30am

Classic Stories For Preschoolers

Hear some classic picture books then make a story-related craft. 4-5 years.

Tueś., Jan. 6 – Feb. 10, 1:00 – 1:30pm

Preschool "Play"

Hear a story then "play" it out! 3-5 years w/caregiver. Tues., Jan. 13, 27 and Feb. 10, 1:30 - 2:00pm

Cooking Together

Hear a story then prepare a related recipe together. 3-5 years w/caregiver.

Wed., Jan. 7 - Feb. 11, 11:00am - 12:00pm

**Mother Goose** 

Baby's first library class. We will share board books, songs, and enjoy some sensory play together.

Birth -12 months w/caregiver. (Please make arrangements for siblings so this can be a special time for you and your baby.) Wed., Jan. 7 – Féb. 11, 10:00 – 10:30am





**Playing Together, Being Together** 

Stimulate social-emotional growth through play, exploration and reading. 6 - 23 months, with/caregiver.

Thurs., Jan. 8 - Feb. 12, 10:30 - 11:00am

**Toddler Music With Mr. Jeff** 

Come sing and play instruments with Mr. Jeff. 10 - 35 months w/caregiver. 2 sessions, <u>sign up for one only</u>, please: Thurs., Jan. 8 – Feb. 12, 11:15 – 11:45am Fri., Jan. 9 – Feb. 13, 10:30 – 11:00 am

**Toddler Time** 

Stories, songs & a craft. 18 - 35 months w/caregiver. 2 sessions, <u>sign up for one only</u>, please: Thurs., Jan. 8 - Feb. 12, 10:00 - 10:30am Fri., Jan. 9 - Feb. 13, 10:00 - 10:30am

#### **Events for School Age Children**

Knit a Loom Hat

Learn how to make a winter hat using a circular knitting loom. All materials will be provided. 7 – 12 years.

Thurs., Jan. 8 - Jan. 29, 5:00 - 6:00pm

**Hopper Bots-Youth Engineering Challenge** Orange County 4-H will teach you about the parts of a circuit and the engineering design and building processes then you'll build your own bot. All materials will be provided. 8 – 12 years.

Sat., Jan. 10, 2:00 – 3:00pm REGISTER BEGINNING DEC. 27

Make a Community Quilt

Decorate a square and help assemble a Community Quilt which will hang in the Children's Room.

6 – 12 years. **Sat., Jan. 17, 11:00am – 12:00pm** REGISTER BEGINNING JAN. 3

The Wild Robot Adventure

We'll read the beautifully illustrated picture book version of Peter Brown's beloved Middle School novel *The Wild* Robot then design our own robots.

Sat. Jan. 31, 11:00am - 12:00pm REGISTER BEGINNING JAN. 17

**Family Bingo** 

Play BINGO and win prizes!

3-12 years w/caregiver. Wed., Feb. 18, 11:00am - 12:00pm REGISTER BEGINNING FEB. 4

**Book Talks & Treats** 

Read the book, then we'll talk about it. A book related treat will be served. Visit the Children's Room desk to register and pick up your book. All children who attend will receive a free, new book.

**Book Talks & Treats (continued)** 

**9-12 years:** "The Wrong Way Home", by Kate O'Shaughnessy Wed., Jan. 21, 5:00 - 5:45pm REGISTER BEGINNING DEC. 31

**5-7 years:** "The Book Hog", by Greg Pizzoli *Wed., Feb. 11, 4:30 – 5:00pm* REGISTER BEGINNING JAN. 21

6-9 years: "Growing Home", by Beth Ferry *Mon., Feb. 23, 5:00 - 5:45pm* **REGISTER BEGINNING FEB. 2** 



### Creativity Club | Events for Ages 9 - 12

**Mandala Sand Art** 

Decorate a mandala – a calming, circular art pattern - using sand to "color" it in.

Tues. Jan. 6, 5:30 - 6:30pm

**Marble Run Challenge!** 

Get ready to design, build, and test your very own marble run using recycled materials. Work alone or team up with others to create ramps and turns that send your marble racing to the finish line.

Tues. Jan. 13, 5:30 - 6:30pm

Bake your own crispy, delicious zucchini fries and a dipping sauce to go with them. Yum! Tues. Jan. 20, 5:30 - 6:30pm

Galaxy Jars

Ever wish you could hold a galaxy in your hands? Come make your very own Galaxy Jar that will sparkle with your imagination. Tues. Jan. 27, 5:30 - 6:30pm

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**Board Game Night** 

Join us for an evening of friendly competition. We will play some classic board games and introduce you to some new ones to enjoy. Tues. Feb. 3, 5:30 - 6:30pm

Valentine's Day Oreo Pops

Dip and decorate Oreos for Valentine's Day! Whether you choose to give away your creations or eat them all yourself is up to you. Tues. Feb. 10, 5:30 - 6:30pm

#### **Events for Families**

**LEGO Sundays** 

We provide the LEGOS; you provide the imagination! Your creations will be displayed. For children.

Sundays, Jan. 4 -Feb. 8, 1:00 - 2:00pm NO REGISTRATION NEEDED



Pals with Paws Palooza

Thurs., Feb. 26, 11:00 - 11:45am Read to the Dogs

Our favorite therapy dogs will be back this Winter to hear you read a book. If you can't yet read, a caregiver can read to you and the dog. For children.

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, Jan. 6 – Feb. 12, 4:30 - 5:30pm REGISTER FOR A 15-MINUTE READING SLOT, 1 WEEK PRIOR, AT THE CHILDREN'S ROOM DESK.

Come learn about how dogs are trained to become Seeing Eye® dogs. Meet some puppy raisers and real live puppies in training! Children will get tips on how to interact with dogs and make a dog treat too.
2 – 12 years w/caregiver.

BIN BINGO

Our feline friends will be back this winter to hear

you read a book. If you can't yet read, a caregiver

Thurs., Feb. 19 and Mar. 19, 4:30 – 6:00pm REGISTER FOR A 15-MINUTE READING SLOT, 1 WEEK PRIOR, AT THE CHILDREN'S ROOM DESK.

can read to you and the cats. For children.

Start picking up your BINGO sheets: Fri., Jan. 2. Last day to collect prizes & earn tickets: Sat., Feb.



**Drop-In Family Chess** 

We'll provide the chess sets, you drop-in to play with family and friends. 5-17 years, children under 12 must be accompanied by caregiver. Mondays, Jan. 5 – Feb. 9, 5:00 – 7:00pm NO REGISTRATION NEEDED **Winter Reading BINGO** 

Win prizes for reading! Stop by the Children's Room to register and pick up a BINGO sheet, then read, read, read. The more you read the more chances you have to win. Completed **BINGOs** will earn you prizes big and small! Ages 2 – 9

String Theory:

### Events for Teens | Ages 13-18

**Dungeons & Dragons for Teens**Join the adventure!
Registration

required. Wed., Jan. 7 - Feb. 11, 5:30 - 7:30pm Wed., Feb. 25 - Mar. 11, 5:30 - 7:30pm Teen Advisory Board

Join Teen Advisory Board and earn volunteer hours! Make suggestions for teen programs and work on making the YA section of the library your own!

Thurs., Jan. 8 4:00 – 5:00pm

**Beat Builders** 

Learn how to use a digital audio workstation and fundamental music theory to compose a song from start to finish. *Thurs., Jan. 22 4:00 – 5:00pm* 

**Guitar for Teens**Unleash your inner rock star with basic guitar skills like finger exer-cises, chord structure, scales and music theory. **Thurs., Jan 29 4:00 – 5:00pm** 

Read to the Cats

The Five Colors of Magic the Gathering Thurs., Feb. 5 4:00 - 5:00pm Gather for the premier trading card game, Magic the Gathering. Learn the fundamental rules, various game modes, and have fun with friends. Registration required.



2026 College Scholarship Essay Competition

The Albert Wisner Public Library Foundation's yearly scholarship competition opens **Friday**, **January 16**. High school Seniors residing in the Warwick Valley Central School District and who expect to graduate in 2026 are eligible to submit an essay of no more than 2000 words.

This year's topic: "How does technology change our relationship with reading?" Explain your response with specifics.

Three \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded, sponsored by Library Benefactors Glenn P. and Susan D. Dickes and one anonymous donor.

Essays due: April 10 by 5:00 PM

Full scholarship guidelines will be available on the library's website on January 16, 2026.

Teen Winter Reading Challenge

This year's Teen Winter Reading Challenge will be online using beanstack.org.
There will be different tasks that you can complete, to earn badges. The more badges you have the more tickets you earn, and at the end of the challenge your tickets will be entered into a raffle to win an iPad. You'll have until February 28th to finish the Winter Reading Challenge! A winner will be announced on March 1st.

**Battle of the Books** 

Battle of the Books is a team-based competition among libraries in the RCLS system, in which teens read several books and answer questions about them, competing against libraries' teams in August. Join the team, and face off against other great readers! First Meeting: Thurs., Jan. 15, 4:00 – 5:00pm