Derby Public Library

The DPL Youth Times

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Yiassou! Let's Go to Greece!

Spring Break World Tour 2026 March 15-20







Join us for the 5th annual Spring Break World List of Events:

Tour as we embark on a thrilling journey to Greece! This week-long adventure will immerse you in the ancient history, unique architecture, rich mythology, and breathtaking landscapes. From the birthplace of Western Civilization to the Olympic Games,

you'll experience the best of Greece, all without leaving the library!



All Week Long - Timeless Thessaloniki Hunt Sunday, March 15

2 p.m. - Greek Mythology Yoga (Adults, Teens, Kids 7+) Tuesday, March 17

10 a.m. - Grades K-5: Mini-Olympians Academy

4 p.m. - Teen Tuesday: Greek Myths at Camp Half-Blood

Wednesday, March 18

10 a.m. - Preschool Storytime

Thursday, March 19

2 p.m. - Family Movie Time: Walt Disney's Hercules



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Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Sign your child up for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten today!
Reading together is one of the best ways to prepare your child for learning to read on their own. Reading aloud with your children teaches how books work, exposes them to new vocabulary, and establishes an early appreciation for reading. To sign up, visit the Youth Services desk or register at our website www.derbylibrary.com/1000BBK

Preschool Storytime

A 30-minute early literacy program for children age 3-5. Read books, sing songs, learn fingerplays, and enjoy puppet shows!

An accompanying adult must remain in the

must remain in the early literacy area and is encouraged to participate. Ages 3-5 years Tuesdays 10 a.m. January 6 - April 14 Early Literacy Area No program March 17.

Wednesdays 10 a.m. January 7 - April 15 Early Literacy Area

Programs, events, and classes may be photographed or video recorded for library promotional purposes.

Please notify library staff if you prefer not to be photographed.

Baby Storytime

Baby Storytime is a 20-minute early literacy program designed for a parent or caregiver and their baby age birth to 12 months. Each week parents and caregivers and their babies will share board books, rhymes, bounces, and action songs that are consistent with infant development. All of these activities can be duplicated at home. It's never too early to work on early literacy skills!

Ages Birth - 12 months
Thursdays 10 a.m.
January 8 - April 16
Frank Fanning Room
No program March 19.



Building Blocks Read & Play

During this sensory storytime and play time, we'll share stories and provide opportunities for self-directed play in a safe environment. Your little ones will explore different shapes and textures, discover new ways to play, gain new skills, and learn to play well with others. Building Blocks Read & Play is for children aged 0 to 3 and lasts approximately an hour.

Ages Walking-3 years Thursdays 11 a.m. January 8 - April 16 Frank Fanning Room No program March 19.

Toddler Time

The perfect storytime for your toddler! Toddler Time is a 20-minute introduction to classic storytime elements, such as picture books read aloud, fingerplays, flannel board stories, and music for your 1-3 year old. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to join in with their children and engage with books, musical instruments, and flannel board stories.



Ages 1-3 years
Fridays 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.
January 9 - April 17
Frank Fanning Room
No program March 20.









Family Night

Ages 3-7

Mondays 6:30 p.m. January 5 - April 13

Early Literacy Area

No program January 19, February 16, and March 16.

January 5 - Wonderfully Wintry Stories*

January 12 - Storytime with Little Critter

January 26 - Storytime with Bluey

February 2 - Reading is Out of This World!*

February 9 - Valentine Fun!

February 23 - Weird, Wonderful Animals

March 2 - My Grandpa was a Pirate*

March 9 - Pajama Party Storytime

March 23 - Welcome Spring!

March 30 - Easter Fun!

April 6 - Mystical Mythical Creatures*

April 13 - The Berenstain Bears Storytime

Family Night is an evening storytime designed for children ages 3-7, but all ages are welcome. Come for a before bedtime sharing of books and music, followed by a family activity or craft.

*The first Monday of every month is Reading with Rover featuring therapy dog, Kasa!



Adventures @ the Library

Grades K-2

Thursdays 4-5 p.m. January 8 - April 16

Frank Fanning Room

No program March 19.



Everyday is a Holiday!

January 8 - National Bubble Bath Day

January 15 - Hat Day

January 22 - Come in from the Cold Day

January 29 - Puzzle Day

February 5 - Weather Person Day

February 12 - Hug Day

February 19 - National Muffin Day

February 26 - Tell a Fairy Tale Day

March 5 - World Wildlife Day

March 12 - Plant Your Own Flower Day

March 26 - Manatee Day

April 2 - Children's Picture Book Day

April 9 - National Farm Animal Day

April 16 - Save an Elephant Day

Explore and discover new things after school at the library with this literacy-based program for grades K-2. Program typically includes books read aloud, a craft, a short video, and snack time.

Not So Bored Board Games

Grades K-12

February 13, March 13, April 24 2-4 p.m.

Frank Fanning Room

No school for Derby Schools! Nothing to do?

Forget dull afternoons and come to the library! It's time to activate your brain and unleash your inner strategist with Not So Bored Board Games, a program designed to turn a boring day into fun for students of all ages!



Tween Zone

Grades 3-5

Wednesdays 4-5 p.m.

January 7 - April 15

Frank Fanning Room

No program March 18.



Movie Magic

January 7 - Mighty Ducks

January 14 - K-Pop Demon Hunters

January 21 - Elio

January 28 - Zootopia

February 4 - Cars

February 11 - Elemental

February 18 - Toy Story

February 25 - Secret Life of Pets

March 4 - Kung Fu Panda

March 11 - Bad Guys

March 25 - Alice in Wonderland

April 1 - Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

April 8 - A Bug's Life

April 15 -Finding Nemo

Every Wednesday after school, we welcome our tweens in grades 3-5 to enjoy crafts, activities, games, snacks, and books. Bring a friend and discover your next read!

StoryWalk @ High Park

Enjoy the great outdoors and a story at the same time. Read while you walk at High Park! Installed in 2017, the StoryWalk is a collaborative project by the library and the Derby Health

Collaborative meant to encourage both literacy and healthy exercise.



Due to construction at High Park, the Storywalk will be unavailable. We hope to have the Storywalk return in summer 2026.





Check out e-books and e-audiobooks from Hoopla & Libby with your library card!



Scan this QR code to download the KanShare Libraries app. Check your account, renew items, and place holds.



Teen Tuesday

Grades 6-12 Tuesdays 4-5 p.m. January 6 - April 14 **Community Room**



Teen Tuesday Joins the Fandom

January 6 - Gotta Go Fast with Sonic

January 13 - Super Saiyan Celebration

January 20 - Dance like Spongebob Squarepants

January 27 - The Upside Down of Stranger Things

February 3 - Rule at Legend of Zelda

February 10 - Clans of Warrior Cats

February 17 - Pokemon Party

February 24 - Stay Weird at Gravity Falls

March 3 - Catching Coraline

March 10 - Howl like Teen Wolf

March 17 - Greek Myths at Camp Half-Blood

March 24 - Adventures at the Owl House

March 31- Fandom Movie Day

April 7 - Springtime at Studio Ghibli

April 14 - Get Bit in Shark Week

Each week teens will enjoy after school snacks and participate in activities and games with chances to win prizes. Bring a friend!

Adult Programs

Scan the QR code to view our website featuring our programs for adults! The library offers free Yoga classes, four book clubs, movie showings during Library Lounge, and Derby DIY classes where you can learn a new hobby or skill.





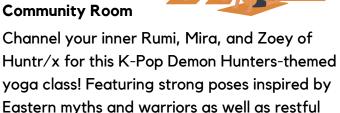






K-Pop Yoga

Adults, Teens, Kids 7+ Sunday, January 18 2-3:30 p.m.



poses to find inner peace, this yoga class will include musical hits like "Golden" and "Takedown" and a special giveaway.

Modifications provided for all yogi levels. Men, women, and children 7+ are welcome to attend!

DPL BookBike

Check the event calendar and our Facebook page for information about pop-up libraries at the DPL BookBike this fall. The BookBike will be present at City of Derby Third Thursday events on April 16 and May 21.

Early Literacy Area

Pretend to make lunch in the play kitchen. Perform a puppet show. Put a puzzle together. Learn your letters with colorful manipulative toys. Play with toy animals, trucks, and giant blocks.

Early Literacy Area Hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Tuesday 10:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday 10:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.







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