

ALL THINGS YOUNG TEEN

Programs for Grades 5-8

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GLOWFORGE WORKSHOP

Wednesday | March 12 | 4:30 PM

Join us for an up-close design experience with our Glowforge. Our teen techs will teach you the history of the Glowforge and help you construct and personalize a box that you will get to keep.

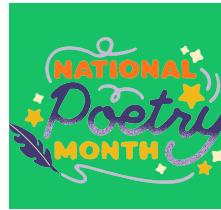


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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12TH
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HAIKU CHALLENGE

April | All Month

April is Poetry Month! Visit us at the library all month long to try Blackout Poetry, or to compose your own Haiku. To refresh your memory, a Haiku is just 3 lines long. The first line has 5 syllables, the second has 7 syllables, and the last line has 5 syllables again. Submit your Haiku at anewman@westlinnoregon.gov, or to your librarian at your school.



HERSHEY'S & HAIKUS

Wednesday | April 2 | 4:30 PM

Come to the library for a calm afternoon of chocolate and poetry. We are holding a Haiku writing workshop where we will review what a Haiku is and then have time to write our own. These can be just for you, or you can submit them for the Haiku Challenge. See how well words and chocolate go together!



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Registration NOT Required

CHILL WITH A CHICK

May 22-24

Chicks are coming back to the library! We will start incubating at the end of April, with a hatch in May. You and your family can sign up for your own cuddle session with one of the sweet chicks.



TEEN MANGA CLUB

Last Thursday of the Month | 4:30 PM

Hang out with other manga and anime enthusiasts, pick up some #1's, enjoy snacks and watch some anime! Anime is streamed from Crunchyroll and is generally rated TV14 and under.



We have what you need!

A Place Just For You

Our Teen Room is reserved for students in Grades 6-12 (no adults allowed!)

- o Tables for studying
- o Comfy couches
- o Take and Make kits
- o Rotating games and Maker supplies
- o Charging stations

Looking for your next read?

We can help with that:

Booklists

Print lists are available in the Young Teen and Teen rooms. Scan the QR Code to view up-to-date booklists on our website.



Book Recommendations

Fill out an online form with a few details of what you are looking for. We will reply back with several suggestions. OR stop in and ask us in person!



Teen Book Boxes

Starting in 7th Grade, you can sign up for our Teen Book Boxes service and receive mystery boxes filled with 2 personalized fiction selections.



Earn a Prize!

Every other month, there is a scavenger hunt in the Youth Services section of the library. On the opposite months, you can come in to guess our Book In A Jar book.

Research & Homework

Our website has resources to help you succeed. A couple of easy clicks will take you to credible articles and databases, newspapers and magazines, and our library catalog.

SCHEDULED CLOSURES

May 26, 2025



Middle School Must-Reads:

Discover New & Old Favorites!



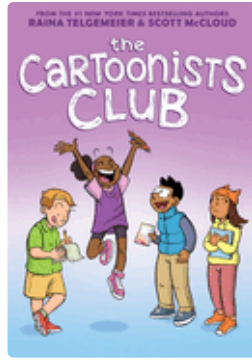
THE TROUBLE WITH HEROES

Kate Messner

Finn Connelly is nothing like his dad, a star athlete and firefighter hero who always ran toward danger until he died two years ago. Finn is about to fail seventh grade and has never made headlines . . . until now.

Read-Alikes:

And Then, Boom!
The Honest Truth



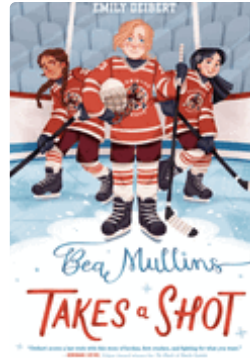
THE CARTOONISTS CLUB

Raina Telgemeier and Scott McCloud

Raina Telgemeier and Scott McCloud team up for a one-of-a-kind friendship story about creativity and self-expression that blends how-to and comics magic. Welcome to the club!_

Read-Alikes:

Comics Squad
Smile



BEA MULLINS TAKES A SHOT

Emily Deibert

Twelve-year-old Bea joins her school's first all-girls hockey team to support her best friend, navigates rocky relationships with her crush Gabi and best friend Celia, and steps up to help save the team when its funding is threatened.

Read-Alikes:

The Beautiful Game
Swim Team



ISLE OF EVER

Jen Calonita

Two hundred years ago, an island disappeared. Now, Benny has just two weeks to find it. Benny and her mom have always struggled financially, but Benny's just learned she's the sole heir to a vast fortune! Before Benny can inherit the money, she needs to figure out the clues and unravel a mystery.

Read-Alikes:

Dust & Grim
Greenwild



REBELLION 1776

Laurie Halse Anderson

This is a must-read for historical fiction fans! Elspeth lives in Revolutionary War-era Boston. Her father is her only living relative and he has disappeared. On top of this, the smallpox epidemic is coursing through the city. People are terrified and Elspeth is all on her own.

Read-Alikes:

I Survived series
Sophia's War



EXTRA LARGE

Tyler Page

Tyler Page returns with a graphic memoir about a boy dealing with weight gain, bullying, and gendered expectations all while starting a new school year.

Read-Alikes:

Button Pusher
El Deafo



EVERYTHING IS POISON

Joy McCullough

When Carmela Tofana turns 16, she joins her mother's apothecary in Campo Marzio crafting remedies for customers, but for every sweet-smelling flower extract there is another potion requiring darker ingredients, in a historical novel told in prose and verse.

Read-Alikes:

Last Night at the Telegraph Club



DROPPING BEATS

Nathanael Lessore

Thirteen-year-old Growls (aka Shaun) is an aspiring (awful) rapper who hopes to enter this year's Raptology competition with his best friend, Shanks (aka Zachariah). After all, what better way to land his crush (Tanisha) and get the respect he finally deserves than winning the contest and going viral?

Read-Alikes:

On the Come Up
Ultraviolet