



Summer Reading Program
Monday, June 3rd – Saturday, August 10th

ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY™

Library Closed
 Juneteenth
 Wednesday, June 19th

Why Join Summer Reading?

Take a Summer Adventure! Immerse yourself in exciting stories, discover distant places, and encounter captivating characters in the pages of a book. Join the Freeport Public Library's 2024 Summer Reading Program to track your reading journey and achieve your goals! It's an enjoyable and cost-free activity for everyone in the family!



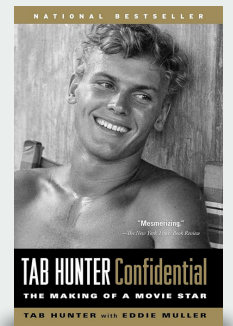
What is the Summer Slide?

Studies have shown that children experience significant learning loss in reading and math during summer break. Preventing this summer learning loss may seem daunting, but by engaging in educational activities throughout the summer, you can help your kids prepare for the school year ahead! By participating in the Freeport Public Library Summer Reading Program, you can prevent the "summer slide" and open up a world of opportunities for your whole family!

Ask Alex!

Looking for something new? Just ask Alex! Alex works the Adult Reference Desk and has a passion for reading. Check out one of her favorites: **Confidential, the Making of a Movie Star** by Tab Hunter.

"Tab Hunter's memoir is an honest and beautiful insight into what it was like to be a gay actor in the Golden Age of Hollywood. Hunter's writing reads like a chat with an old friend. He's warm, charming, understanding, and looks back on his life with a refreshing maturity. Discovering his close connections with Debbie Reynolds and Natalie Wood was equally intriguing."



Special Programs

We host tons of free programs for all ages throughout the summer. Take a look at all the exciting opportunities listed on our online events calendar!

Theme: "Adventure Begins at Your Library"

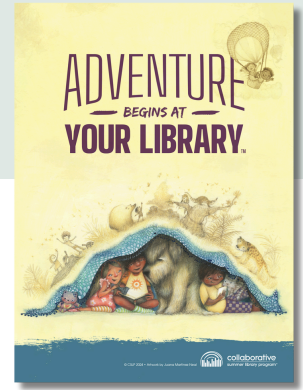
The theme is provided by the Collaborative Library Summer Program (CLSP) a non-profit organization that supports literacy, education, and science through summer reading events in public libraries across the United States.

YOUTH

Summer Reading 2024 - "Adventure Begins at Your Library"

Summer Reading Kick-Off Party! Monday, June 3 | 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Sign up for Summer Reading and claim your free book! We will also have crafts, temporary tattoos, touch-a-truck, and games!



Babies and Books

Every Monday | 10:15am - 11:00am

Let's create rhymes, sing songs, and read stories together! Afterwards, stay for playtime. For babies and toddlers 2 and under.

Slime Making

Tuesday, June 4 | 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Join us to make water bead slime you can take home!

Storytime at Debate Square

Every Wednesday | 10:30am - 11:00am

Bring your blankets and chairs and join us for an outdoor storytime at Debate Square Park! We will read stories, sing songs, and have plenty of movement activities!

PAWS to Read

Saturday, June 8 | 11:00am - 12:00pm

Visit the library and read a story to one of the sweet pups from Therapy Dogs International.

Make it Monday: Space Projects

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Monday, June 12

2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Come make a cool space project you can take home!

The Night Sky

Portable Planetarium Show

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Thursday, June 13

2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Enter the Discovery Center's portable planetarium and learn all about the night sky!

Fiesta de "Lectura de Verano" en Español

Jueves, 13 de junio | 6:00pm - 7:00pm

¡Aprende sobre la biblioteca y toda la diversión que tiene para ofrecer! Acompáñanos a leer cuentos, hacer manualidades, obtener un libro gratis y unirte a la lectura de verano... ¡Todo en español!

Pokémon Club

Thursday, June 13 | 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Meet to play and talk Pokémon with other trainers! Trade cards, battle each other, or just talk strategy – this club is for novice trainers and experts alike!

Messy Masterpieces

Friday, June 14 | 10:00am - 11:00am

For littles 5 and under. Each month we will make a masterpiece you can take home. And be sure to come dressed to make a mess!

Make it Monday:

Garden Stepping Stones

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Monday, June 17

2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

We will be making garden stepping stones! Let's meet outdoors in the Youth Services Courtyard.

Minute to Win It Games

Thursday, June 20

2:00pm - 3:00pm & 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Come test your skills with friends at the library. Kids are invited to compete in a series of challenges, but each challenge is only 60 seconds long! You have one minute to win it!

Make it Monday: Lanterns

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Monday, June 24

2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Join us to make your own camping lantern you can take home!

Tie-Dye Party

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Tuesday, June 25 | 12:00pm - 7:00pm

Bring a new, white item to the library to tie-dye! Limit two items per person.

Register your family for a half hour time slot to make your tie-dye items.

Tot Time at the Park

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Wednesday, June 26

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Join the Freeport Public Library and the Freeport Park District for a fun-filled hour and don't forget to bring a water bottle! *Register on the park district's website.*

Ice Cream in a Bag

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Thursday, June 27 | 2:00pm - 5:00pm

All ingredients and toppings will be provided. Register your family for a half hour time slot to make your ice cream!

Crafts at Night:

Garden Stepping Stones

Thursday, June 27 | 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Can't make it to our Make It Mondays in the afternoon? Now you can make projects at night!

Family Fort Building

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Friday, June 28 | 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Stay in the library after hours to create a cool reading fort! Bring a good book, a flashlight, and indoor fort-building materials—such as sheets, pillows, and blankets. All kids must be accompanied by an adult. Snacks and glow sticks will be provided!



ADULTS

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Swing by the Adult Services Desk starting Monday, June 3rd to pick up your Reading Log and receive a special gift as a token of our appreciation for joining in the fun!

Illinois Libraries Present: The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers with Dr. Temple Grandin

[Virtual Event & Watch Party]

Tuesday, June 4 | 7:00pm - 7:50pm

Join us for a special event with Dr. Grandin, one of the world's most accomplished and well-known adults with autism. Register online to watch at home, or visit the library for the Watch Party!



Sweet Summer Painted Glass Craft

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Wednesday, June 5 | 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Paint a colorful "Sweet Summer" Watermelon on glass to welcome summer.

ChessPort

Every First Wednesday | 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Chess sets are provided. Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome!

Monday Murders Book Group: Heatwave by Richard Castle

Monday, June 10 | 1:00pm - 2:00pm

We will have some fun talking about this book written by an author who is really a television character... and we will watch a little bit of "Castle," too. Is it a good mystery though? Everyone welcome for this book group. Pick up a copy of the book on the 2nd floor of the library.



Watercolor Adventure

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Monday, June 17 | 6:15pm - 7:45pm

Monday, June 28 | 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Join us to learn and practice basic watercolor painting with virtual instructor Victoria, highly recommended by other libraries. We will follow along, ask questions, and interact with the instructor during the program.

4th of July Crafts

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Monday, June 24 | 6:15pm - 7:45pm

Come and create 4th of July crafts to adorn your home or table for the holiday. You'll have a variety of options to choose from, something for everyone!

Therapeutic Recreation:

A Make & Take Craft for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

Tuesday, June 25 | 10:30am - 11:30am

Come hang out with us for a this drop-in craft where we'll be making a 4th of July themed craft, chatting, and having fun!



TEENS

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Grades 7 - 12 - Join us at the Kick-off Party or visit the Youth Service Desk starting Monday, June 3rd to pick up your Reading Log and a special gift!

Teen Tuesday:

Cupcake Decorating

Tuesday, June 11 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Join us for an afternoon of creative cupcake decorating! Cupcakes, frosting, and decorating supplies will be provided. Bring a friend and let's get creative!

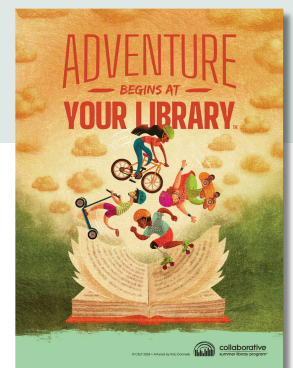
Silly Sketch

"Caricature Sketching Class"

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Tuesday, June 18 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Silly Sketch is a workshop-style class that helps participants discover their artistic style through drawing exercises!



STAY CONNECTED

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