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# PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

SUMMER FUN AT THE LIBRARY: JUNE 1—JULY 31, 2024

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS FOR GRADES K-5 (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

**\*4-H DISCOVERY SERIES:** Each program will highlight a different aspect of 4-H with topics in agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living, and science. **For Ages 8-18**

**AUTHOR ELORAH FLANAGAN:** Author Elorah Flanagan will read her children's book, *Who Ate The Cake?*

**BIG BANG BOOM:** Get ready for a high-energy show of parent-friendly children's music!

**BOOK BANDITS:** Do you love to read and enjoy talking about books? Join us to meet new friends and share recommendations! **This is a general book club for children grades 3-6.**

**CRITTER KEEPER:** Do you love spiders, snakes, and other creepy crawly creatures? Then you will love the Critter Keeper!

**DANA HILL MAGIC:** No matter if you are 5 or 105, award-winning comedy magician Dana Hill is GUARANTEED to entertain you! His fun, family friendly, high-energy show uses audience participation and comedy illusions to amaze people of all ages.

**FAMILY BOOK CLUB:** Family Book Club is for families who love reading and talking about books. Pick up your copy of *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* from the Main Library Youth Services Desk starting June 18<sup>th</sup>. **Intended for families of children in grades K-5.**

**GARDEN CLUB:** Do you want to explore growing your own food? Do you love learning new things and having fun? Join Miss Maggie to plant and take care of our Sensory Garden! Watch our vegetables grow, learn some cool backyard biology facts, and celebrate your hard work with ingredients we grow and harvest. **Intended for Grades K-5. All children must be accompanied by an adult.**

**GOLDEN ROD PUPPETS PRESENTS "ANIMALIA":** Together with his team of adorable "Foamies," Hobe makes animals of all sorts emerge in movement and music to form a full-on puppet ballet. Watch as the habits and habitats of the world's mightiest beasts and tiniest bugs come into furry focus right before your eyes.

**GRAVITY CHECK JUGGLING:** Join us for a gravity-defying juggling show that is sure to entertain all ages!

**HEELER FAMILY PARTY:** Join your library friends at a party about our favorite Australian Heeler family! We'll have games and crafts based on the hit show at this drop-in program. **Activities are geared toward 3-6 year-olds, but all are welcome to attend.**

**\*IT'S A BREEZE WITH ROPER MOUNTAIN:** How is a beach ball like an airplane wing? How can air be used to crush a soda can? How can you fill up a 10 foot long bag with air using only one breath? We'll find out in this fun and interactive assembly that demonstrates how air pressure affects our everyday environment. These experiments are guaranteed to BLOW you away!!

**KINDERGARTEN READINESS EVENT:** Join us for a special Kindergarten-themed storytime, as well as activities that will prepare you and your child for a successful start in Kindergarten. *Presented in partnership with Etowah Elementary.*

**LEGO CLUBS:** Head to your nearest branch for an afternoon of Lego fun.

**\*LIBRARY CAMP:** Join us for our first ever Library Camp! Register for the chance to learn more about how your local library works, see some behind the scenes action, and make new friends! **For Grades 3-6 Necessary paperwork will be sent to children's guardians before camp.**

**\*PAWS FOR READING:** Children can sign up to read to a therapy dog at their nearest branch! Sessions are 15 minutes and children should have a book picked out prior to their appointment time. *See online calendar for schedule.* **CALL YOUR PREFERRED BRANCH TO REGISTER.**

**PORKCHOP PRODUCTIONS:** The always hilarious Porkchop Productions presents *The Totally Twisted Tale of the Three Little Pigs!*

**\*PROGRESSIVE PAINTING KIDS EDITION:** This is a painting class, where everyone works together to create a one of a kind piece of art for each individual to take home. It's like the musical chairs of painting! Let go and just paint!

**ROPER MOUNTAIN PRESENTS "SUPER COLD SCIENCE":** In this supercool lesson we will use liquid nitrogen to show how solids, liquids and gases are affected by extreme changes in temperature. Participants will learn how water is different from most other materials and watch the properties of materials change before their eyes.

**SCHIELE MUSEUM PRESENTS "BLAST FROM THE PAST":** Take an adventure through time to witness history in a fun and exciting way! Travel through notable moments from the earth's beginning to the present day, using museum artifacts and activities to explore the past.

**SENSORY PLAY HOUR:** Join us as we use our five senses to experience a new kind of play time at the library! We will have multiple stations set up for families to move through. Sensory play can get messy, so please dress accordingly! **For children ages birth-5 years & their families**

**STORYTIMES:** Join us at your local library for books, music, and more!

**THE NAME OF THIS BOOK CLUB IS SECRET:** Join us at your local library for books, music, and more! **For Grades 3-7**

**WNC NATURE CENTER PRESENTS "FUR, FEATHERS, AND SCALES":** An opportunity for students to learn the importance of preservation and conservation through a one-hour presentation (45-minute presentation/15-minute Q&A) with two live animal guests and bio-facts, including animal skeletons, skins, feathers, skulls, and more.



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## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS FOR GRADES K-8

- \***ZANIAC– ASTRONAUT ADVENTURES:** Dive into the unique jobs and activities astronauts perform before their cosmic journey. Discover strength training, spacewalking, and more exciting astronaut tasks in preparation for space missions. **For Grades K-8**
- \***ZANIAC– CODING WITH DASH BOT:** Learn the simple drag and drop language, Blockly, to program the Dash Bot robot around a course. Blockly is an intuitive and visual way to learn how to code. No experience needed- fun guaranteed! **For Grades K-8**
- \***ZANIAC– ICE OASIS INNOVATION:** Embark on an exciting venture where we'll channel our creativity to design and craft a cutting-edge container. Our mission? To defy the inevitable melt of ice, drawing inspiration from coolers and even refrigerators. **For Grades K-8**
- \***ZANIAC– MINECRAFT WORKSHOP:** Create a world, gather resources, build, craft, and see if you can survive the night! **For Grades K-8**
- \***ZANIAC– THE MAGIC OF COLORS:** Get ready to dive into the world of primary colors and discover the secrets behind creating secondary colors through enjoyable mixing techniques. Put your artistic skills to the test as you design and craft your very own pinwheels. Then, witness the magic unfold as we challenge your pinwheels to twirl and whirl under the influence of forced air. **For Grades K-8**

## TEEN PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12 (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

- \***4-H DISCOVERY SERIES:** Each program will highlight a different aspect of 4-H with topics in agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living, and science. **For Ages 8-18**
- \***DUNGEONS & DRAGONS:** Interested in learning more about D&D and trying your hand at a campaign? Stop by as we learn how to create our own characters and learn the basics of this classic fantasy RPG.
- \***JOURNAL MAKING:** Design and create your own journal.
- \***PAPER CIRCUIT ART:** Make some electrifying light up art.
- \***TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB):** Want to make a difference in teen programming at the library? Want to earn Volunteer hours? Want to meet new people? Join TAB! **For Grades 9-12 PICK UP AN APPLICATION OR DOWNLOAD IT FROM OUR WEBSITE**



**TEEN ANIME CLUB:** Share in the love of Japanese animation and comics! Come join your fellow Otaku and enjoy anime watching, manga discussions, games, creating, and more!

**BOOKLESS BOOK CLUB FOR TEENS:** Our Bookless Book Club for Teens is for anyone who loves reading and talking about books. Join us this summer as we meet to discuss some of our favorite adventure stories!

**TEEN CRAFT–DIY SUSHI CANDLES:** We will use beeswax sheets to make our own sushi roll candles that look good enough to eat!

**TEEN CRAFT–DIY SUGAR SCRUBS:** Prepare to return to the stress of school with our completely customizable sugar scrub recipe!

**TEEN CREATIVE WRITING CLUB:** Are you a teen in middle school or high school? Interested in creative writing, storytelling, connecting with other teen writers, and getting feedback on your work? Our Creative Writing Club meets on the first Tuesday each month. For questions, contact Caitlin: [clindsey@hendersoncountync.gov](mailto:clindsey@hendersoncountync.gov)

## PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

**BEAR BASICS:** Join a Chimney Rock Park Ranger to begin your adventure into the basics of black bears, one of the largest mammals in our woods. What do bears eat? Where do they live? Do they hibernate during NC winters? And will they attack?

**CRAFT DAYS:** Drop in for a day of crafting for all ages.

**END OF SUMMER PARTY:** Join us at the Green River Library for games, snacks, and fun.

**GARDEN & SEED COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS:** Our friends from the NC Cooperative Extension will join us as we meet with fellow gardeners and share tips, pictures, and conversations.

**RECYCLING & COMPOSTING:** Join the Henderson County Environmental Programs Coordinator for a presentation on how to reduce your waste through recycling and composting.

**SING-ALONG:** Love music, singing, playing your instrument, or just listening? Join us at the Edneyville Library.

**SUMMER READING KICK-OFF PARTY:** Join us as we kick off a summer of fun with games, face painting, and more! Reading logs for all ages will be available for pick up.

**SUMMER READING WRAP-UP PARTY:** Help us wrap-up our adventure-filled summer with games, snacks, balloons, and more! Turn in your completed reading log for the chance to win prizes.

**VIRTUAL ADVENTURES:** Sit back and take a virtual tour through some amazing places.

\***WHAT RANGERS DO:** A North Carolina State Park Ranger has many responsibilities from law enforcement to education to high angle rescue and wears many hats. Come meet with a ranger to learn all aspects of their jobs and see all the equipment they need.

**WILD ENCOUNTERS:** Naturalist Carlton Burke will bring a variety of animal guests!



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