

Build a Better World

2017 Children's Summer Reading Program



Dover Public Library
June 10 to August 12

HOW THE READING PROGRAM WORKS

Register your child for the Summer Reading Program on www.doverlibrary.beanstack.org or by visiting the Children's Services Desk at the Dover Public Library. Children who read, or have an adult read to them, for ten hours automatically win a free book. Plus, for every ten hours read, children will earn a ticket for a raffle prize. The more children read, the better their chance of winning! Raffle winners will be selected each Monday.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Cat's Pajamas

Friday, June 9 @ 6:30pm

Meeting Room A

The Cat's Pajamas brings a musical comedy twist to high-octane-kid-rock in 3-part harmony that will knock your socks off. The audience is plunged into a wild, wonderful world of stories, puppets, props and costumes with sophisticated music that's absolutely guaranteed to tickle the entire family's funnybone. All Ages. No registration required.

DASEF: Think It, Build It, Test It!

Tuesday, June 19 @ 11am

Meeting Room C

Children test their engineering on some cool problem solving projects. You and your child will build a test catapult, a marble roller coaster, and three bridge columns. All Ages. No registration Required.

Cascading Carlos

Tuesday, June 27 @ 11am

Meeting Room C

Cascading Carlos is not a clown or magician, he is a juggler, nonetheless he clowns around and has a lot of illusions in his juggling show. You will be amazed by his juggling skills, while he teaches you how to juggle. His talent to motivate you through juggling will help you build your self-esteem, confidence and focus. All ages. No registration required.

Build it Better Shop

Friday, July 14 @ 6:30pm

Meeting Room C

The audience will be transformed into engineers as they work with the owner of a Fix-it Shop, played by Rick Waterhouse, to fix various and sundry broken items that are brought to the shop by an assortment of characters that are often more interesting than the broken items they bring for repair. All Ages. No registration required.

Toad's Escape

Friday, July 17 @ 11am

Meeting Room C

Mr. Toad of Toad Hall is no ordinary amphibian. Wealthy, worldly and foolish beyond belief, Mr. Toad is a lover of motor cars, and one of the worst drivers in the English countryside. Presented by the Rehoboth Summer Children's Theatre, audiences of all ages will be thrilled by the exploits of the amazing and outrageous Mr. Toad. Two actors play all the characters in this fun-filled production. All Ages. No registration required.

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WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Build It!

Sundays @ 1pm

Children's Program Room

YOUR imagination + OUR really cool building stuff = FUN! No registration required.

Mad Scientist Mondays

Mondays @ 11am - Starts June 12th

Children's Program Room

Join us for a variety of STEM activities and demonstrations geared towards school-age kids and tweens! No registration required.

Children's Yoga

Wednesdays @ 10:30am - Beginning June 14th

Children's Program Room

Children's yoga teaches animated poses and breathing exercises that help to strengthen coordination and build body awareness. Bring your own yoga mat. Ages: 4-12. **Registration is required.**

Read and Make Adventure Trail

Thursday, June 8, 15, 22, & 29 @ 10:30am

Children's Program Room

Come to the Dover Public Library for a storytime, followed by a field trip across the street to the Biggs for crafts. Ages 4 and up. **Registration is required.**

Craft Corner

Thursdays @ 2 pm - Beginning July 6th

Children's Program Room

Come enjoy do-it-yourself crafts. Children 10 and up. No registration is required.

Tinker Labs

Wednesdays @ 6:00pm - Beginning June 16th

Children's Program Room

Join us for a variety of exciting STEM activities and demonstrations geared towards school-age kids and tweens! No registration required.

Super Saturdays

Saturdays @ 2pm

Children's Program Room

Join us for fun crafts and activities for school-age kids! No registration required.

Turtle Dance Music

Thursday, July 20 @ 2pm

Meeting Room C

The sensory-friendly Music engages children with songs, comedy, robots, bubbles, music technology, and original stories about why engineers, architects, and designers rock! The show is crafted to be inclusive for all children, including children on the Autism Spectrum. All ages. No registration required.

Bridge Builders

Monday, July 24 @ 2pm

Meeting Room B

Join the Marshall Steam Museum and explore and test bridge designs before building a bridge of your own using recycled materials. Ages 7-12. **Registration required.**

Summer Cooking Camp

July 24 through July 28 @ 1:30pm

Children's Program Room

This program focuses on the importance of hand washing, causes of cross contamination, and safe food handling processes. This class is very interactive with games and activities, and food recipes. Cooking is involved. Ages 8 and up. **Registration required.**

Hooked on Books

Friday, August 11 @ 6:30pm

Multipurpose Room C

Mark Lohr plays mild-mannered Mr. Jones who sits down one day to enjoy a television program. He is interrupted by a public service announcement that makes him aware of the epic battle that is raging between TV and books. Mr. Jones is jolted from the comfort of his easy chair into hilarious escapades. All Ages. No registration required.





Engineers Make a World of Difference June 7 - August 4

The Dover Public Library is one of only 14 sites in the nation selected to host the Explore Tech exhibition. The exhibit introduces the role engineers play in our lives and how engineering provides solutions to better meet human needs and develop sustainable innovations for the future. It also introduces visitors to global issues affecting our planet.

The exhibit features hands-on and multimedia components that allow exhibit visitors to interact with exhibit content in a dynamic way, encouraging new perspectives about engineers and their vital work.

The exhibit was organized by Space Science Institute's National Center for Interactive Learning, the American Library Association's Public Programs Office, the Lunar and Planetary Institute and the Afterschool Alliance. This project was made possible through the support of a grant from the National Science Foundation.



READING PROGRAMS

Thursday Picnic Storytime

Thursdays @ 6pm - Between the Library and City Hall
Storytime for all ages! This program will be held outdoors, weather permitting. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner! No registration required.

Friday Family Storytime

Fridays @ 10:30am - Children's Program Room
Songs and stories for all ages! Tickets are **required** and can be picked up from the Children's Department starting the Wednesday prior to that week's storytime.

PAWS for People

Mondays @ 6:30pm - Children's Program Room
Read aloud for 10 minutes to a friendly therapy dog provided by PAWS for People. Children can read a book of their choice to therapy dog teams at the Library. **Registration is required** for each session and for each child. Children should be in kindergarten or above.
Available Dates: June 12th and 26th, July 10th and 24th, and August 14th and 28th

READING CONTESTS

Blue Hen Award

Sponsored by the Youth Services Division of the Delaware Library Association, children can vote on selected picture or chapter books. If children turn in their ballot to the Dover Public Library Children's Department between June 10th and August 12th, they will earn a ticket for the raffle prize drawing. Ballots are available online and in the library. See the Children's Department for more information.

A Book that Shaped Me

An essay writing contest for rising 5th and 6th graders run by the Library of Congress. Children write a one-page letter about a book that has had an impact on them. The contest runs until **July 8th**. Children who turn in a letter and entry form to the Dover Public Library will be entered into the national contest, where they are eligible for prizes. Additionally, participants will earn a ticket for the Library's raffle prize. Entry forms are available online and at the library. See the Children's Department for more information.