



STERLING PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 2023 Newsletter



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sterlingpubliclibrary.org



Hours:

Mon & Tues: 9am - 8pm

Wed - Fri: 9am - 5pm

Saturday: 9am - 1pm



Curbside Pickup Hours:

Mon - Fri: 9am - 4pm

Pickup Lockers Available 24/7



-Monthly Highlight-

We now have board games available for checkout! Ask at the adult circulation desk.



If you would like to receive our newsletter by email, scan this QR code and fill out our form! ->

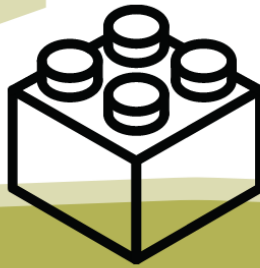


CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

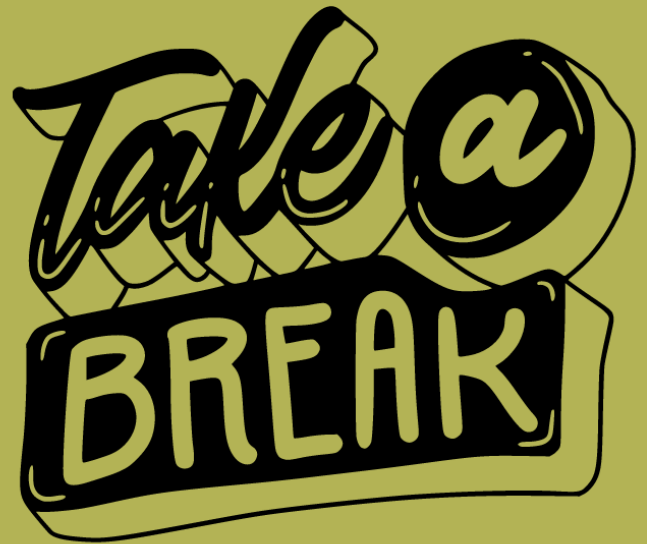
AUGUST 2023

LEGO CLUB

Lego Club will be back starting in September. We will continue to do Lego Club on the first and third Saturdays of the month, but we will be skipping the first one in September due to it being on the same weekend as Labor Day. Please register for Lego Club at the Children's Desk or by calling the library.



We will be taking a break from storytime and other programs over August, but keep your eye out for our September newsletter for program details about storytime and other events!



SUMMER READING PROGRAM RESULTS!

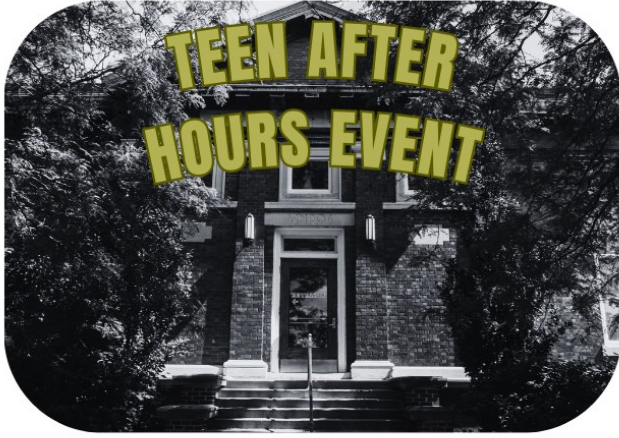
Thank you to everyone who participated in the children's Summer Reading Program this year! We had 163 kids participate, and all together they read more than 2,700 books! We had positive feedback about the kids setting their own reading goals over the summer, and we are always open to feedback and suggestions for next year's summer reading program. If you would like to share any feedback, please email Abbigail at abbigail.mcwilliams@sterlingpubliclibrary.org or call the library.



**WE HAD A WONDERFUL
TIME WITH SUMMER
READING THIS YEAR!
THANKS TO ALL WHO
PARTICIPATED!**



PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



Friday, August 11, 5pm-10pm

Open to all teens 6th-12th grade. Pizza, snacks, games, and maybe a movie. Please register by Monday, August 7 by turning in a permission slip. Slips can be picked up at the Adult Circulation Desk at the library or downloaded from our website calendar.

A.R.K.S. Book Club

Adults Reading Kid's Stuff

Tuesday, August 29, 6-7pm

Join us at the library to discuss children's books with other adults who enjoy children's books! This meeting will be held monthly on the last Tuesday of each month. For our August meeting, we will be reading *Black Bird, Blue Road* by Sofiya Pasternack. Stop by the Adult Services Desk for a copy!



ARTFUL PARTY



Tuesday, August 22, 5:30pm-7:30pm

Come paint with local artist Linda Von Holten! Linda, a full-time working artist who founded Artwork by LVH, has inspired Artful Parties for nearly a decade. Register and pay the \$10 supply fee by following the QR code or sign up in person at the library. Register early as **spots are limited!**

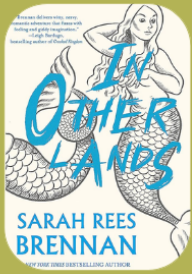


DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Join Mike to play an RPG. They meet **each Monday** from 3:30-7:30 at the Sterling Public Library. This is open to anyone 13 years or older.



TEEN



In Other Lands

by Sarah Rees Brennan

Follow Elliot while he survives four years in the most unusual of schools - friendship, falling in love, diplomacy, and finding your own place in the world. For fans of Harry Potter.



Almost American Girl

by Robin Ha

A powerful and moving teen graphic novel memoir about immigration, belonging, and how arts can save a life.

Today, Tonight, Tomorrow

by Rachel Lynn Solomon

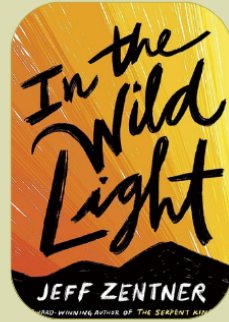
It's the end of Rowan's and Neil's senior year. Join them in this romantic comedy about two rival overachievers whose relationship completely transforms over the course of twenty-four hours.



In the Wild Light

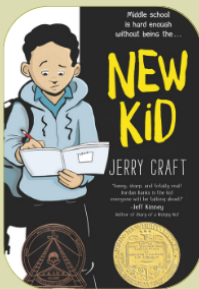
by Jeff Zentner

A poignant coming-of-age novel about two best friends whose friendship is tested when they get the opportunity to leave their impoverished small town for an elite prep school.



READERS' ADVISORY -BACK TO SCHOOL-

MIDDLE GRADE NOVELS



New Kid by Jerry Craft

This graphic novel follows Jordan as he starts at a new school, struggles to fit in, and contends with being one of the few Black kids at his school. Follow this one up with sequels, *Class Act* and *School Trip*.

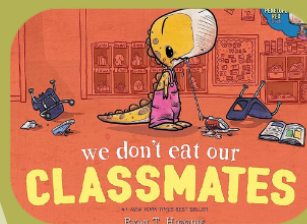
Yusuf Azeem is Not a Hero

by Saadia Faruqi

A turn away from our silly back to school books, this is an emotional story about a Muslim boy who is excited to start middle school, but suddenly finds his community facing discrimination as the 20th anniversary of 9/11 draws near.



PICTURE BOOKS



We Don't Eat Our Classmates

by Ryan T. Higgins

This tale of a dinosaur's first day of school with other (human) kids will have kids and adults laughing along with the clever humor of the same author of the Bruce books.

Mr. S by Monica Arnaldo

The author of *Are You a Cheeseburger?* is back with a silly and absurd telling of a classroom's first day with their new teacher: a sandwich. Keep your eyes peeled for hidden details and the twist at the end!





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