

KID + TEEN CENTRAL August 2026



Central Library: 40 East Saint Clair Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 Phone: 317-275-4222

Children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult. Please see the full calendar at indypl.org

Sun 1-5pm	Mon 10am-8pm	Tue 10am-8pm	Wed 10am-6pm	Thu 10am-6pm	Fri 10am-5pm	Sat 10am-5pm
Key: ◆ Preschool ● School-Age ■ Teen ◆ Family Program / Event	Other Monday Weekly Programs: ● ■ ◆ 5:30-7:30pm Books and Rooks Chess Club					1 ◆ ● 10:00-11:00am Block Party ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
2 ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	3 ● ■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club	4 ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone	5 ◆ ● ■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	6 ■ 3:00-5:00pm Teen Switch Gaming Afternoon	7 ◆ 11:00-12:00pm Tales 'n Play Storytime	8 ◆ ● 10:00-11:00am Block Party ● 11:00am-3:00pm The Gurl/Bro Code ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
9 ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	10 ● ■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club ◆ ● 6:00-6:45pm Cardboard Creations	11 ■ 4:00-5:00pm Teen Central Manga Book Club ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone	12 ◆ ● ■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	13 ■ 3:00-5:00pm Teen Switch Gaming Afternoon	14 ◆ 11:00-12:00pm Tales 'n Play Storytime	15 ◆ ● 10:00-11:00am Block Party ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
16 ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	17 ● ■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club	18 ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone	19 ◆ ● ■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	20 ■ 3:00-5:00pm Teen Switch Gaming Afternoon	21 ◆ 11:00-12:00pm Storytime with Buddy the Dinosaur	22 ◆ ● 10:00-11:00am Block Party ● ◆ 11:00-12:00pm Hot Jazz for Cool Kids ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
23 ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	24 ● ■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club	25 ■ 4:00-5:00pm Teen Central Manga Book Club ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone	26 ◆ ● ■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	27 ■ 3:00-5:00pm Teen Switch Gaming Afternoon	28 ◆ 11:00-12:00pm Tales 'n Play Storytime	29 ◆ ● 10:00-11:00am Block Party ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More ● ■ ◆ 2:00-3:00pm Circulating Sound Concert
30 ◆ ● ■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	31 ● ■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club					

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WEEKLY PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES:

MINECRAFT CLUB | MONDAYS 5:30-7:30 PM

Age Level: Kids, Teens, Families

Kids ages 7 and up are invited to join us on the 3rd floor of the library for Minecraft Club! Stop by to mine, build, and interact with fellow Minecrafters using the library's laptops or iPads. Jump into our premade world or create one entirely of your own!

NOTE: No registration is required to attend

TEEN CENTRAL MANGA BOOK CLUB |

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY (AUGUST 11TH AND 25TH) 4:00-5:00 PM

Age Level: Teens

Join us at Teen Central to read and discuss manga! You will get a chance to meet other manga fans and gush about your favorite titles! Each session, we'll discuss a different theme. For teens, ages 13-18.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

TEEN ZONE | TUESDAYS 5:00-7:00 PM

Age Level: Teens

Teens ages 12-18 are invited to our new Teen Space on the 2nd floor, to explore art, technology, games, science, and more with Teen Central! From 3-5 pm, you can engage with free materials and learn new skills at your own pace.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

EXPLORE STEM + MORE |

WEDNESDAYS 3:00-5:00 PM

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS 1:00-4:00 PM

Age Level: Kids, Teens, Families

Kids and families drop by the 3rd floor to immerse yourself in the world of science and tech exploration. Discover something new by exploring robots, LEGOs, STEM apps, crafts, games and more at your own pace.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

TEEN SWITCH GAMING AFTERNOON | THURSDAYS 3:00-5:00 PM

Age Level: Teens

Teens, ages 12-17, are welcome to come hang out for an evening of low-pressure gaming. Meet some new friends and join in for a round of Mario Kart, Super Smash Bros, Just Dance, or one of our other games on our Switch or Switch 2!

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

TALES 'N PLAY STORYTIME | FRIDAYS 11:00-12:00 PM

Age Level: Babies and Toddlers, Preschoolers

Stop in for some stories, music, and fun! Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers are invited to join Kid Central for a story time! Afterward, all are welcome to stay for some open playtime.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend

BLOCK PARTY | SATURDAYS 10:00-11:00 AM

Age Level: Kids, Teens, Families

Kids are invited to flex their creative muscles and building skills at our Block Party! Stop by the 3rd floor to create with LEGOs, blocks, and other kid-friendly building materials.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend

SPECIAL KID/TEEN CENTRAL PROGRAMS:

CARDBOARD CREATIONS | WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10TH

6:00-6:45 PM

Age Level: Preschoolers and Kids

Create, make, and play with cardboard in this program for kids ages 4-8, led by Jeremy South of Ripple Mobile Arts. Dress to mess!

NOTE: Registration is required to attend.

STORYTIME WITH BUDDY THE DINOSAUR | WEDNESDAY, AUGUST

21ST 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Age Level: Babies and Toddlers, Preschoolers, Families

Join WFYI for a special storytime with Buddy the Dinosaur!

Children and families can join their librarian for stories, then do hands-on activities with WFYI. Stick around for an opportunity to meet Buddy the dinosaur from "Dinosaur Train."

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

ADDITIONAL CENTRAL PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS:

BOOKS AND ROOKS CHESS CLUB | MONDAYS

5:30-7:30 PM

Age Level: All Ages

Casually play chess in the Atrium of the library. Chess sets and clocks are provided. All ages and skill levels welcome.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend

THE GURL/BRO CODE | SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH 11:00 AM-3:00 PM

Age Level: Kids

Dive into an exciting day of coding, creativity, and environmental STEM with The Gurl Code! Girls will explore ocean ecosystems, build creative habitats, and complete interactive coding challenges using Ozobots and hands-on STEM activities.

NOTE: Registration is required to attend.

HOT JAZZ FOR COOL KIDS – THE GENE MARKIEWICZ BAND! |

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Age Level: Kids, Families, Adults, All Ages

Children and families are invited to this free performance by some of Indy's leading jazz musicians and educators. It's a way to share jazz music with children that will be fun for everyone!

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

CIRCULATING SOUND CONCERT | SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

2:00-3:00PM

Age Level: Families, All Ages

Join us for a concert featuring the Philharmonic Orchestra of Indianapolis. This live hour of music will fill the Clowes Auditorium with music inspired by stories and tales and will be a special treat for families and music lovers of all ages!

NOTE: No registration is required to attend