

Kid and Teen Central

January 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 Program ○ School-Age Program ■ Teen Program ♦ Family Program / Event	Other Monday Weekly Programs: ○■♦ 5:30-7:30pm Books and Rooks Chess Club		Other Wednesday Weekly Programs: ♦♦ Reading Ready Time			
				1 LIBRARY CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 ♦ 11:00-12:00pm Tales 'n Play Storytime	3 ♦○ 10:00-11:00am Block Party ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
4 ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	5 ○■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club	6 ■ 4:15-5:45pm Teen Dungeons & Dragons Club Season 11 ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone ○■♦ 5:30-7:30pm Family Game Night	7 ♦○■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	8	9 ♦ 11:00-11:45am Phoebe & Jay Preschool Workshop	10 ♦○ 10:00-11:00am Block Party ○ 11:00-12:00pm Teddy Bear Concert with ISO ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
11 ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	12 ■ 4:00-5:00pm Teen Makers: Cricut Crash Course ○■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club	13 ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone ○■♦ 5:30-7:30pm Family Game Night	14 ♦○■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	15	16 ♦ 11:00-12:00pm Tales 'n Play Storytime	17 ♦○ 10:00-11:00am Block Party ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
18 ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	19 LIBRARY CLOSED FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY	20 ■ 4:15-5:45pm Teen Dungeons & Dragons Club Season 11 ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone ○■♦ 5:30-7:30pm Family Game Night	21 ♦○■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	22	23 ♦ 11:00-11:45am Your Nose Knows	24 ♦○ 10:00-11:00am Block Party ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More
25 ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More	26 ■ 4:00-5:00pm Teen: Fantasy Fitness ○■ 5:30-7:30pm Minecraft Club	27 ■ 5:00-7:00pm Teen Zone ○■♦ 5:30-7:30pm Family Game Night	28 ♦○■ 3:00-5:00pm Explore STEM + More	29 ○ 4:00-5:00pm What's in a Pellet?	30 ♦ 11:00-12:00pm Tales 'n Play Storytime	31 ♦○ 10:00-11:00am Block Party ♦○■ 11:00am-3:00pm Better Together: Celebrating U.S. ♦○■ 1:00-4:00pm Explore STEM + More

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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 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.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT | TUESDAYS 5:30-7:30 PM

Age Level: Kids, Teens, Families

Kids, teens, and families are invited to stop by Kid Central on the 3rd floor for Family Game Night! We have lots of board, card, and dice games to explore, along with giant-sized chess, checkers, Jenga, and Connect 4.

NOTE: No registration is required to attend

EXPLORE STEM + MORE |

WEDNESDAYS 3:00-5:00 PM; SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS 1:00-4:00PM

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.

TALES 'N PLAY STORYTIME | FRIDAYS 11:00 AM-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 storytime! 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

ONLINE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES:

TEEN DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB: SEASON 11 | TUESDAYS, JAN. 6TH & 20TH 4:15-5:45 PM

Age Level: Teens

Teens ages 13-17 are invited to join online and play Dungeons & Dragons (5th Ed.). Every two weeks, a new 1.5-hour adventure will be ready to challenge our explorers.

NOTE: Registration is required to attend

READING READY TIME | WEDNESDAYS

Age Level: Kids, Teens, Families

Children ages 3-6 are invited to a virtual library visit! Join us online to sing along, listen to a story, see new places, and meet amazing people. New episodes are uploaded to the IndyPL YouTube channel every Wednesday.

SPECIAL KID/TEEN CENTRAL PROGRAMS:

PHOEBE & JAY PRESCHOOL WORKSHOP | FRIDAY, JAN. 9TH

11:00-11:45 AM

Age Level: Preschoolers

Join our friends at WFYI to screen their new show, Phoebe & Jay, before it airs! Activities and games will follow. Perfect for ages 3-5, but families are welcome!

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

TEEN MAKERS: CRICUT CRASH COURSE | MONDAY, JAN. 12TH

4:00-5:00 PM

Age Level: Teens

New to Cricut? Learn how to use Design Space, prep materials, and make your first cool project – no experience needed! Take home your very own printed Cricut project!

NOTE: Registration is required to attend.

YOUR NOSE KNOWS | FRIDAY, JAN. 23RD 11:00-11:45 AM

Age Level: Babies and Toddlers

Toddlers will learn about senses in this hands-on play exploration with the Indiana State Museum!

NOTE: Registration is required to attend.

TEEN: FANTASY FITNESS | MONDAY, JAN. 26TH 4:00-5:00PM

Age Level: Teens

Get moving like your favorite characters! Whether you're channeling anime warriors, fantasy fighters, or superhero strength, build real-world fitness inspired by epic fictional worlds. Train your body, sharpen your mindset, and level up – one workout at a time.

NOTE: Registration is required to attend.

WHAT'S IN A PELLET? | THURSDAY, JAN. 29TH 4:00-5:00 PM

Age Level: Teens

Learn all about our nocturnal, feathered friends! Dissect a real owl pellet, learn about owl population dynamics, and make a cool craft to take home.

NOTE: 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

TEDDY BEAR CONCERT SERIES | SATURDAY, JAN. 10TH

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Age Level: All Ages

Young children and their families are invited to an introduction to the orchestra through story, movement, and live music (with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra). Teddy bears welcome!

NOTE: No registration is required to attend.

BETTER TOGETHER: CELEBRATING U.S. | SATURDAY, JAN. 31ST

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Age Level: All Ages

Join us for Better Together: Celebrating US, a family-friendly celebration exploring what it means to belong, participate, and build community – together. Through hands-on activities, storytelling, artmaking, and conversations, we'll reflect on our nation's history and imagine our collective future.

NOTE: Registration is required to attend.