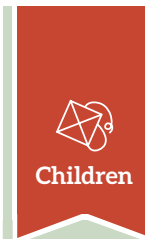




Children's Events at the Ellettsville Branch

March

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Youth Art Month Contest

March 1–31 | All MCPL Locations

For Youth Art Month, we're challenging you to create and submit an original 2D work of art based on the theme of our upcoming summer reading program: space! For this theme, draw your favorite planet or space-themed item—you can even make up your own.

The winning artwork will be made into a collectible summer reading prize bookmark. Entries should be 3x7 inches. Starting March 1, you can stop by any MCPL location to grab a template, if needed. When you're finished, drop your entry off at any MCPL location by March 31 to enter. Ages birth–12.

Tiny to Two March 5 and 19

10–10:30 AM | Meeting Room B

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

Preschool Storytime March 7, 14, and 21

10–10:30 AM | Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Preschool Discovery March 7, 14, and 21

10:30–11 AM | Meeting Room A

Discover more at the Library! Following each Preschool Storytime, join us for a fun craft experience. We may also enjoy a math or science activity, or an activity designed to explore the alphabet! Each week, we'll experiment with different materials and techniques. Dress to mess. Ages 3–6.

Prenatal Yoga March 7, 14, 21, and 28

5:30–6:30 PM | Meeting Room B

Prenatal yoga is a gentle exercise that supports your changing body's needs, builds strength, and deepens awareness of your mind, body, and connection with your baby. **Age 18 and up.**

STEAM Club: Circuits

March 12 | 4–5 PM | Meeting Room A

Explore the electric world of circuits this month by playing with and creating your own circuit. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**

LEGO® Club

March 18 | 4–5 PM | Meeting Room A

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Growing Gardeners: Garden Planning

March 19 | 4–5 PM | Meeting Room B

If you're interested in learning about gardening and helping Ellettsville Branch garden, join us for Growing Gardeners, a kid's gardening club. This month, we'll be making plans for our garden and starting nature journals. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**

Board Game Night

March 19 | 6–8 PM | Hopscotch Kitchen

It's game night! Join us to chat and play a fun selection of board games out in the community at Hopscotch Kitchen (235 W. Dodds Street, Bloomington). All ages. *This program is in partnership with Hopscotch Coffee and The Game Preserve.*

All-Ages Day at the Ellettsville Teen Space

March 23 | 12–6 PM | Teen Space

Curious about the Ellettsville Teen Space, but you aren't a teen? Patrons of all ages are invited to check it out on the fourth Saturday of the month—there's a DIY design studio, video games, virtual reality, and more!

All-Ages Solar Extravaganza

March 23 | 12–6 PM | Teen Space

Drop in at the Ellettsville Branch for solar and astronomical crafts, STEAM activities, and snacks for all ages. Visit various stations across the Library and learn a bit about the upcoming total solar eclipse on April 8. All ages.

LIBRARY CLOSED (Spring Holiday)

March 31

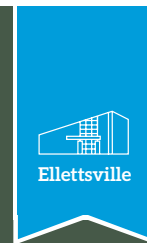




Children's Events at the Ellettsville Branch

April

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Tiny to Two April 2 and 16

10–10:30 AM | Meeting Room B

Families with babies and toddlers play, sing, read, and talk together. Ages birth–2.

The Great MCPL Kids Bake Off: National Poetry Month Edition

Registration Begins April 4 | All MCPL Locations

The Great MCPL Kids Bake Off returns! Bakers will create a show-stopping treat with a special mystery ingredient that tastes very sweet! Registration is limited to the first 30 participants. Select your preferred MCPL location to pick up your baking kit. One entry per household. **Share a picture and description of your dish to jstevens@mcpl.info by April 25.** The baker with the most scrumptious-looking and creative dish will win a gift card to a local bakery. Please note that we are unable to accommodate dietary restrictions, as all participants will receive the same ingredients. If you are unable to eat one of the ingredients, you are welcome to substitute something similar. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar..**

Preschool Storytime: Total Solar Eclipse Edition April 4 | 10–10:30 AM | Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. This storytime will focus on the sun and solar eclipses in preparation for the upcoming total solar eclipse on April 8. Ages 3–6..

Preschool Discovery: Total Solar Eclipse Edition April 4 | 10:30–11 AM | Meeting Room A

Discover more at the Library! Following each Preschool Storytime, join us for a fun craft experience. We may also enjoy a math or science activity, or an activity designed to explore the alphabet! Each week, we'll experiment with different materials and techniques. Dress to mess. This program will celebrate the upcoming total solar eclipse on April 8. Ages 3–6.

Prenatal Yoga April 4, 11, 18, and 25

5:30–6:30 PM | Meeting Room B

Prenatal yoga is a gentle exercise that supports your changing body's needs, builds strength, and deepens awareness of your mind, body, and connection with your baby. **Age 18 and up.**

Preschool Storytime April 11 and 18

10–10:30 AM | Meeting Room B

Join in the fun with stories, songs, puppets, and more that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Ages 3–6.

Preschool Discovery April 11 and 18 10:30–11 AM | Meeting Room A

Discover more at the Library! Following each Preschool Storytime, join us for a fun craft experience. We may also enjoy a math or science activity, or an activity designed to explore the alphabet! Each week, we'll experiment with different materials and techniques. Dress to mess. Ages 3–6.

LEGO® Club April 15

4–5 PM | Meeting Room A

Unleash your imagination and creativity with fellow LEGO® builders! Ages 5–12.

Board Game Night April 16

6–8 PM | Hopscotch Kitchen

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Growing Gardeners: Seed Starters

April 17 | 4–5 PM | Meeting Room B

Join us for Growing Gardeners, a kid's gardening club. This month, we'll be making seed starts and investigating soil. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**

STEAM Club: Earth Science

April 22 | 4–5 PM | Meeting Room A

Celebrate Earth Day by learning more about the Earth and how we can protect it. We'll be conducting science experiments all about our home planet. Ages 7–12. **Please register at mcpl.info/calendar.**

All-Ages Day at the Ellettsville Teen Space

April 27 | 12–6 PM | Teen Space

Patrons of all ages are invited to check out the Teen Space on the fourth Saturday of the month—there's a DIY design studio, video games, virtual reality, and more!