

JULY 2026

YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS

Z. J. Loussac Library

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 11AM: Toddler Storytime 3PM: Summer Teen Game	2 11AM: Toddler Storytime	3 11AM: Baby Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays	4 <i>All APL branches closed for Independence Day</i>
5 <i>Loussac Library closed for Independence Day</i>	6 3PM: PAWSitive Reading	7 11AM: Preschool Storytime 2:30PM: Comics Workshop with Lee Post 4PM: Teen Driving Practice with Center for Safe Alaskans	8 11AM: Toddler Storytime 3PM: Summer Teen Game	9 11AM: Toddler Storytime 5:30PM: Dungeons & Dragons	10 11AM: Baby Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays	11 10AM-5PM: LEGO Time
12	13 10AM-12PM: Early Literacy Games	14 11AM: Preschool Storytime 2:30PM: Magic by Robbie	15 11AM: Toddler Storytime 3PM: Summer Teen Game	16 11AM: Toddler Storytime 2PM: Books + Board Games: Pokémon Edition	17 11AM: Baby Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays	18 10AM-5PM: Craft Time 11AM: Family Storytime 3PM: Teen Crafternoon: Journal Making
19	20	21 11AM: Preschool Storytime 2:30PM: Summer Mini Golf	22 11AM: Toddler Storytime 3PM: Summer Teen Game	23 11AM: Toddler Storytime	24 11AM: Baby Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays	25 10AM-5PM: LEGO Time 1:30PM: Stroller Stories 3PM: Teen Movie Night
26	27 10AM-12PM: Early Literacy Games	28 11AM: Preschool Storytime 2:30PM: Science Discovery 3PM: Teen Crafternoon: Stamp Carving	29 11AM: Toddler Storytime 3PM: Summer Teen Game	30 11AM: Toddler Storytime	31 11AM: Baby Storytime 4PM: VolunTEEN Fridays 4PM: Family Movie Night	

STORYTIMES

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Tuesdays at 11AM

A half hour of stories, songs and movement that build early literacy skills and prepare your preschooler ages 3 to 5 for kindergarten.

TODDLER STORYTIME

Wednesdays & Thursdays at 11AM

Twenty-five minutes of short stories, songs for children 3 and under and their caregivers.

BABY STORYTIME & PLAY TIME

Fridays at 11AM

Twenty minutes of nursery rhymes, songs, fingerplays and action for infants, birth to 18 months, and their caregivers. Followed by a special baby playtime.

FAMILY STORYTIME

Saturday, July 18, 11AM

A half hour of stories, songs, and more to build early literacy skills. The first Family Storytime of the month will have an American Sign Language interpreter available.

*Please note: Preschool and Toddler Storytimes will be **outside** on the lawn, please bring blankets or chairs; in the event of rain, we will be in the storytheater on Level 2. Free entry tickets are required for **indoor storytimes** and available starting 15 minutes before storytime.*

SUMMER DISCOVERY LOGS

There's still time to complete your Summer Discovery logs! Logs must be returned by **July 31** to receive finishing prizes and enter the grand prize drawings.

5 & UNDER

EARLY LITERACY GAMES

Monday, July 13 & 27, 10AM-12PM

Try out different early literacy, language, and math toys to help prepare preschoolers for kindergarten while having fun at the same time.

STROLLER STORIES AT CUDDY PARK

Saturday, July 25, 1:30-2:30PM

Join us for Stroller Stories, a storytime that moves! Come with us as we walk around the Cuddy Park pond, making stops to sing songs and read stories along the way. This program is intended for children 2-5 and their caregivers.

Meet the librarian at the Cuddy Park playground and be sure to dress for the weather! Strollers, water bottles, and sunscreen are all highly encouraged.

ALL AGES

LEGO TIME

Saturday, July 11 & 25, 10AM-5PM

Stop by for some free build time - just bring your imagination!

CRAFT TIME

Saturday, July 18, 10AM-5PM

Get creative and make a work of art! We'll have a variety of art supplies to make whatever you want.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, July 31, 4-5:45PM

Join us for a family-friendly movie and delicious popcorn. This month's movie: **Matilda (1996)**.

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PAWSITIVE READING

Monday, July 6, 3-4PM

Sign-up to read to a dog! Reading sessions are 10 minutes and can be reserved in-person starting at 2:45PM on the day of the event. The final session begins at 3:45PM.

COMICS WORKSHOP WITH LEE POST

Tuesday, July 7, 2:30-3:30PM

Learn to draw your own comics! Sketch with cartoonist Lee Post in a fast-paced, no-stress, and fun cartooning session for all skill levels and ages.

MAGIC BY ROBBIE

Tuesday, July 14, 2:30-3:30PM

Perfect for magic fans of all ages, this show promises to mystify and delight!

BOOKS + BOARD GAMES: POKEMON EDITION

Thursday, July 16, 2-3:30PM

Tier 1 Cards & Games will be bringing some new and exciting games for all ages to try. This month we'll be looking at Pokemon-themed games!

SUMMER MINI GOLF

Tuesday, July 21, 2:30-3:30PM

Test out your putting skills on different mini golf holes at the library. In inclement weather, we'll move inside to the 4th floor Learning Commons.

SCIENCE DISCOVERY

Tuesday, July 28, 2:30-3:30PM

Join us for some hands-on science activities to explore and learn about the world around you with special guests from Campbell Creek Science Center.

TEEN

SUMMER TEEN GAME TIME

Wednesdays, 3-5:30PM

Come enjoy some time in the teen space playing various video games, board games, and more!

SUMMER VOLUNTEEN FRIDAYS

Fridays, 4-5:30PM

Are you an Anchorage teen who will be entering 9th-12th grade in need of volunteer hours? We have plenty of tasks that need your help to complete. Volunteering starts promptly at 4pm, latecomers may not be able to volunteer that week.

TEEN DRIVING PRACTICE WITH CENTER FOR SAFE ALASKANS

Tuesday, July 7, 4-6PM

The Center for Safe Alaskans offers a free computer-based driving tool to test teens' (aged 13+) ability to handle road hazards.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Thursday, July 9, 5:30-9PM

Bring your own campaign or join our beginner's table. We will have some supplies, but please bring your own if you have them. New and experienced players are welcome. Doors open at 5:30, gameplay starts at 6. **Ages 14+**.

TEEN CRAFTERNOON: JOURNAL MAKING

Saturday, July 18, 3-5PM

Learn how to bind a journal using thread and needle.

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, July 25, 3-5PM

Join us for a teen-friendly movie and delicious popcorn! This month's movie: **Anaconda (2026)**.

TEEN CRAFTERNOON: STAMP CARVING

Tuesday, July 28, 3-5PM

Learn how to create your own stamp and carve it out!