**Island Idol**

**Friday, July 28th at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Centereach Parking Lot**

Join us for our 19th annual Island Idol outdoor music competition featuring talented Middle Country teens! Singers and musicians will perform for the audience and a panel of judges, and MCPL’s Teen Advisory Council will be selling refreshments and offering crafts for all ages. Audition applications are available online or at any reference desk, and can be submitted until July 5th. Thanks to the Friends of the Middle Country Public Library and ShopRite, a Gallagher Family Market, for sponsoring this inspiring night of teen talent.

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**8 Unexpected Spaces To Visit At Your Library**

Middle Country Public Library is a public center that encourages discovery and learning in comfortable and inclusive environments. We’ve got books, plenty of them, but we also have amazing spaces to discover!

1. Use your creative and technical skills in the **Innovation Space**
2. Visit a hands-on children’s exhibit of engineering in the **Museum Corner**
3. Let the kids play outside in the **Nature Explorium**
4. **Family Place** offers children under five a space to learn and grow
5. Tweens can drop-in and hangout in **Club 5-6-7**
6. Teens! Play videogames and meet friends in the **Underground**
7. Connect through networking events at the **Miller Business Center**
8. Stop by the **Café**, it’s brew-tiful!
BECOME A LITERACY TUTOR & HELP IMPROVE A LIFE!

Literacy tutors are incredible people with a desire to help students improve their life skills and strengthen their families and communities through literacy. What matters is having the empathy and patience to work one-on-one with an adult learner determined to be a better reader, writer, or speaker of the English language. If you are looking to make a difference, visit www.mcplibrary.org/adults/services/literacy/ or call 631-585-9393 ext. 274.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2023 FROM 5:30 - 8:30 P.M. AT THE CENTEREACH POOL

The library along with Brookhaven Town Councilman Neil Manzella and the Suffolk County Police 6th precinct invite you to join us for National Night Out. This free event is taking place at the Town of Brookhaven Centereach Pool Complex. The evening will include many family and youth friendly activities including free outdoor swimming! Come say hello to library staff and spin the wheel to win a prize, find out about library services and programs, participate in hands-on STEM activities, make a craft or play giant games with the library’s Teen Advisory Council volunteers. We look forward to seeing you at this fun-filled evening you won’t want to miss!

SUMMER READING CLUB

DIG DEEPER READ INVESTIGATE DISCOVER

Register at our Kick-off Celebration!

ALL AGES are invited to drop by Saturday, June 24th 10:00 am - 1:00 pm MCPL - Centereach

www.mcplibrary.org/summer-reading-club/
Summer Friday Nights @ Selden!

Looking for a fun place to hang out with your friends? Join us every Friday at MCPL-Selden for Friday Night Teen Programs (T553) from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., except July 28th. Play the latest videogame consoles, try your hand at tabletop games, challenge a friend to ping-pong, use computers, get crafty, eat snacks and much more! In addition to these activities, check out these themed offerings each Friday over the summer:

July 7th       Videogames on the Outdoor Gaming Bus
July 14th      Smash Brothers Ultimate
July 21st      Create-On: Paint a Beach Bag
July 28th      Island Idol at Centereach
August 4th     Drum Circle
August 11th    Buzz-In Trivia Challenge
August 18th    Create-On: Scrapbooking Night
August 25th    Popcorn & A Movie

Please register for each Friday night you plan on attending.

Attention Job Seekers & Career Explorers!

Our new series, Fundamentals of Technology for Job Seekers, will assist mid-career individuals to obtain the necessary digital literacy and technology skills needed for all phases of the job search, including career exploration, resume preparation, social media, and basic computer skills. Supported by a grant from TD Charitable Foundation, these specialized workshops will begin in July 2023. To register, visit www.millerbusinesscenter.org/ftjs/

Budget Friendly Family Fun

MCPL’s Museum Passes and Discount Tickets are a great way to plan fun family outings this summer! The Museum Pass program allows library patrons free admission to over 35 Long Island and New York City museums and destinations. Passes may be reserved up to 60 days in advance, online at www.mcplibrary.org/children/museum-passes, at the library or by calling 631-585-9393 ext. 559.

In addition, we are pleased to offer discount vouchers to the Bronx Zoo, Long Island Aquarium, and The Museum of Natural History. Up to five tickets may be purchased at the Customer Service desk in Centereach with cash, check, or a credit card. We’ve also partnered with Splish Splash Water Park in Riverhead to offer our patrons a discounted, all ages, ticket price at $44.99, which must be purchased directly on Splish Splash’s website with discount code: 23MCPLIB. Children under 2 years are free.

Summer is the perfect time to read! Sign-up on Beanstack and log your titles to start earning prizes and become one step closer to reading 100 Books Before Graduation. For more information visit 100books.mcplibrary.org.
**Attending Programs**

- A valid MCPL library card for each patron (adults, children and teens) is required at time of registration.
- Register online at www.mcplibrary.org, in person at Centereach and Selden, or by calling 631-585-9393.
- Registration for Children’s and Teen programs begins on Thursday, June 8th at 9:30 a.m. for Summer Session I and Thursday, July 13th at 9:30 a.m. for Summer Session II.
- Registration for Adult programs begins on Friday, June 9th at 9:30 a.m.
- Program fees must be paid at the time of registration. Payment for online or phone registrations are due within three days or the registration will be cancelled. **Program fees are non-refundable.**
- Out-of-District patrons with a valid card from their home library may attend programs designated with a (*). Based on availability, registration for these Adult programs begins Monday, June 19th (except where noted).
- For the most up-to-date registration and program information please visit www.mcplibrary.org/calendar or call 631-585-9393.
- Please let us know if you require any special accommodations because of a disability.

**Adults/Seniors**

Adult programs are for patrons aged 14+.

**Please see online catalog for program descriptions.**

**Arts & Crafts**

**Beach Candle Holder (A795)**
Wednesday, July 5 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Centereach OR
Thursday, July 6 | 2:30pm - 3:30pm | Centereach

**Cause for Paws: DIY Dog Treat Jars (A785)**
Thursday, September 21 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Centereach

**Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Paint Night (A734)**
**Materials Fee: $10**
Tuesday, September 19 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

**Crafting for a Purpose: Wheelchair Caddy & Fidget Blankets (A753)**
Items created in the program will be donated to local nursing homes.
Thursday, August 17 | 3:00pm - 6:00pm | Selden

**Crafts, Coffee + Conversation (A746)**
Thursdays, July 13 AND/OR September 14 | 2:00 - 3:00pm | Centereach

**Diamond Art: Sunflowers! (A776)**
Wednesday, September 6 | 1:30pm - 2:30pm OR
6:30pm - 7:30pm | Centereach

**Dig In To Junk Journaling (A766)**
Using bright colorful paper and old gardening magazines, make a junk journal to track all your garden plantings.
Monday, July 10 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm | Selden OR
Tuesday, July 11 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

**Heart Earrings (A796)**
Thursday, July 13 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

**Paint and Listen: Lakeview Sunset (A752)**
**Materials Fee: $12**
Thursday, August 3 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

**Paper Violet Bouquet (A798)**
Wednesday, August 2 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

**Quilting Instructional (A704)**
Tuesdays, July 25, August 15, 29 **AND** September 19
6:30pm - 8:45pm | Selden

**Red, White and Blue Flower Arrangement (A771)**
**Materials Fee: $10**
Thursday, June 29 | 6:30 - 8:00pm | Centereach

**Rise of the Renaissance (A700)**
*Join us as we explore paintings, sculpture, and architecture from the time period that changed the world.
Wednesday, July 19 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Selden

**Scrapbooking & Journaling Club (A775)**
**Materials Fee: $20**
Saturdays, July 29, August 26 **AND** September 23
10:30am - 12:00pm | Selden

**Sew n’ Sews (A775)**
Wednesdays, July 12, August 2 **AND** September 6
6:30pm - 8:45pm | Selden

**Stained Glass: Sunflower (A786)**
**Materials Fee: $20**
Tuesday, August 15 | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden OR
Wednesday, August 16 | 1:30pm - 3:30pm | Selden OR
Wednesday, August 16 | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden

**Summer Macrame Bracelet (A767)**
**Materials Fee: $10**
Saturday, July 29 | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | Selden

**Summer Wood Bead Garland (A732)**
Monday, August 14 | 3:00pm - 4:15pm OR 6:30 - 7:45 | Selden

**Reserve your kit, detailed instructions included.**

**Take & Make Programs**

**Bubble Fairy Wand: A Creativebug Take and Make Program (A0764)**
Registration begins: Friday, July 14

**Wheelchair Caddy: A Take and Giveback Project (A0765)**
Registration begins: Friday, August 18

**Wood Bead Corn DIY: A Take & Make Program (A0794)**
Registration begins: Friday, September 8

**Wood Watermelon Décor: A Take & Make Program (A0763)**
Registration begins: Friday, August 4

2023 Adult Summer Reading Club

**DIG DEEPER**

READ, INVESTIGATE, DISCOVER

Registration starts Friday, June 9th.
Register in-person or online at https://middlecountry.beanstack.org
AND RECEIVE A GARDEN SHOVEL! 

**Summer Reading Kick-off (A751)**
Join us for crafts, video games, and the ultimate trivia scavenger hunt.
Sat, June 24 | 10:00 am – 1:00 pm | Centereach
No registration required. Drop-in anytime.

**Summer Reading Club Finale (A749)**
Patrons who complete the Summer Reading Club by reading 3 books will be invited to our special finale for chance to win prizes.
Tues, August 22 | 6:30pm – 8:00pm | Centereach

Read or listen to 3 books between 6/9-8/18 for a chance to win great prizes!
### Book Discussions & Writing

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<td>July: Hurricane Girl by Marcy Dermansky, August: The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George, September: My Broken Language: A Memoir by Quiara Alegría Hudes</td>
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<td>Join live virtual discussions with authors of various genres through the Library Speakers Consortium. Visit <a href="http://www.libraryc.org/mcplibrary">www.libraryc.org/mcplibrary</a> to register for upcoming talks or to watch previously recorded talks.</td>
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### Business & Finance & Careers

*Visit www.millerbusinesscenter.org for the most up-to-date list of upcoming business programs.*

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<td>Suffolk County Dept. of Labor Healthcare Job Fair (A669)*</td>
<td>Wednesday, June 7</td>
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### Citizenship & ESOL & Literacy

*The Literacy Office is open to assist patrons with limited literacy or English proficiency needing help accessing library services and programs. Call 631-585-9393 ext. 274 or ext. 248.*

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<td>Citizenship Preparation (A709)*</td>
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<td>Citizenship Review Drop-In (A696)*</td>
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<td>English Class: Basic (A747)*</td>
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<td>English Class: Intermediate (A744)*</td>
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<td>English Conversation Group (A686)*</td>
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<td>Mujeres Latinas (A778)*</td>
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<td>Apple Support Group (A725)</td>
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<td>Excel: Introduction (A741)</td>
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<td>Introduction to Computers (A726)</td>
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<td>Introduction to Office 365 (A742)</td>
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<td>Laser Engraved Bookmark (A738)</td>
<td>Saturday, August 12</td>
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<td>Make a Coaster with Vacuum Forming (A737)</td>
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<td>Sublimation Burlap Tote (A736)</td>
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<td>Summer Smartphone Photography (A735)</td>
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<td>Word: Introduction (A740)</td>
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### Cooking & Gardening

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<td>Farm to Table: Smoothies &amp; Salads at Hobbs Farm (A781)</td>
<td>Tuesday, July 18</td>
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<td>Green Thumbs: Fall Flowers (A730)*</td>
<td>Wednesday, September 20</td>
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<td>Green Thumbs: Succulent Garden (A731)</td>
<td>Materials Fee: S6</td>
<td>Wednesday, July 19</td>
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<td>Grow Your Own: Garlic (A756)</td>
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<td>Local Eats: Tomatoes (A782)</td>
<td>Thursday, August 10</td>
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<td>Plant-Based Salads (A802)</td>
<td>This plant-based salad is not only soy, dairy &amp; gluten-free, it is high in fiber and nutrients.</td>
<td>Monday, July 10</td>
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<td>Ricotta Gnocchi in Tomato Marinara (A761)</td>
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<td>Seed Saving 101 (A754)*</td>
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<td>Spinach Curry with Tofu (A762)</td>
<td>Thursday, August 24</td>
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<td>Strawberry Napoleons Baking Class (A743)</td>
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<td>Monday, July 31</td>
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*Open to the Public
AARP Smart Driver (A689)*
Program Fee: $25 for AARP Members/ $30 for non-Members
Make check payable to AARP
Tuesday, July 11 AND Wednesday, July 12
10:00am - 1:30pm | Selden
Tuesday, August 29 AND Wednesday, August 30
10:00am - 1:30pm | Selden
Tuesday, September 12 AND Wednesday, September 13
10:00am - 1:30pm | Selden

Defensive Driving (A777)*
Program Fee: $25 ($22 for students with High School ID)
Make check payable to NYSTA, Inc.
Wednesday, July 12 AND Thursday, August 10
5:30pm - 8:30pm | Selden OR
Saturday, August 26 | 10:00am - 4:00pm | Selden OR
Saturday, September 9 | 10:00am - 4:00pm | Selden OR
Wednesday, September 13 AND Thursday, September 14
5:30pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Pre-Licensing Class (A703)*
Program Fee: $55 in CASH on day of class.
Saturdays, July 22 OR August 26 OR September 23
10:00am - 3:00pm | Selden

Family Chess Club (A685)*
Every Friday 6:00pm - 8:30pm in Centereach

Fun and Games (A681)*
Every Wednesday 1:00pm - 4:00pm in Selden

Game Night (A770)*
Wednesdays, July 19, August 16, September 20
6:00pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Mah-Jongg Club (A688)*
Tuesdays | 6:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

To Catch a Killer: Mystery Game Night (A774)
Tuesday, August 8 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Genealogy

Genealogy Research Assistance
Request an appointment at www.tinyurl.com/MCPgenealogyappt.

D.I.G.: Drop-In Genealogy (A705)
Tuesday, July 25 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Centereach

Health & Wellness

Acupuncture, Qi and Meridians (A792)
Thursday, September 7 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Ask a Dietitian (A791)*
Friday, September 15 | 11:30am - 1:00pm | Selden

At Home Facial (A695)
Tuesdays, July 18 | 6:30pm - 8:00pm | Centereach

Dogs & Mental Health Workshop (A788)*
Wednesday, September 13 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Mat Pilates (A759)
Mondays, August 7, 14, 21, 28 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden
Performances

Live at MCPL: Women in the Blues (A723)
Sunday, September 10 | 2:00pm - 3:30pm | Selden

MCPL Under the Stars Movie Night: E.T: The Extra-Terrestrial (A699)*
Wednesday, July 19 | 8:30pm - 10:30pm | Centereach
Rain date: Thursday, July 20 | 8:30pm - 10:30pm | Centereach

Music Under the Stars: BonJourney (A692)*
Wednesday, July 12 | 7:00pm - 9:00pm | Centereach

Music Under the Stars: Shining Star (A712)*
Thursday, August 24 | 7:00pm - 9:00pm | Centereach

Music Under the Stars: SouthBound (A708)*
Wednesday, August 9 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm | Centereach

Senior Programs

Friday Films @1 (A543)
Fridays, except June 16 at 1pm in Selden until September 29

HIICAP Medicare Counseling (AO683)*
Fridays, July 7, 21, August 4, 18, September 8, 22
11:00am - 1:00pm | Not in person - Via phone

Prime Time: Older Adults Connecting through the Library (A729)
Tuesday, May 30 | 10:00am - 11:30am | Centereach

PACE: People with Arthritis Can Exercise (AO680)
Tuesdays, June 20, 27, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 15, 22, 29, September 5
12:30pm - 1:30pm | Selden OR Zoom

Senior Advocate (A783)*
Monday, July 31 | 2:30pm - 4:30pm | Centereach

Senior Connections (A684)*
Fridays, July 7, 21, August 4, 18, September 1, 15 | 11:00am - 1:00pm
Selden OR Fridays, July 14, 28, August 11, 25, September 8, 22
11:00am - 1:00pm | Centereach

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: How to Prevent Senior Fraud (A698)*
Tuesday, July 18 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: Memory Loss, Dementia, and Alzheimer’s Disease (A711)*
Tuesday, August 22 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Topical Tuesdays @ 2: Mental Health and Wellness 101 (A713)*
Tuesday, September 12 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Selden

Support Services

Community Legal Help Project (A616)*
Need help with a legal problem? Free limited legal advice and assistance is available. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome. Please call 631-822-3272 to make an appointment.
Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20, August 10, 17, 24, September 7, 14, 21
2:00pm - 5:00pm | Centereach

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (A697)
Tuesdays, July 18, August 15, September 19 | 10:00am - 1:00pm | Selden

Veterans Benefits Assistance (A682)*
Wednesdays, July 5, August 2, September 6 | 9:30am - 1:30pm | Selden
Mondays, July 10, August 14, September 11 | 9:30am - 1:30pm | Selden
AND Wednesdays, July 19, August 16, September 20
9:30am - 1:30pm | Centereach

Veterans Community Resource Table (A701)*
Thursdays, July 20, August 17, September 21
11:00am - 1:00pm | Centereach

Trips & Travel

The New Vietnam: After the Fall of Saigon (A784)
Learn about this popular travel destination with bustling cities including Buddhist temples, colonial French architecture and Halong Bay.
Thursday, July 20 | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | Selden

Ride the Rails: NYC (A787)
Program Fee: $10.25
Take a day trip into the city with the LIRR at a discounted rate! You will leave as a group from the Ronkonkoma train station and return on your own time - return trip tickets will only be honored on the same day as the departure date. Patrons may purchase 4 round trip tickets per library card. Patrons will meet 15 minutes before departure time. **REGISTRATION CLOSURES ON JUNE 14**
Saturday, July 8 | 9:23am train time | Off Site

Young at Heart at the Jazz Loft (A707)
Let's meet at the Jazz Loft in Stony Brook for the Young at Heart series performance Beyond the Seal! While the series is for seniors, it can also be a wonderful respite for those suffering from memory loss and their caretakers. The one-hour programs are designed to be interactive and embrace storytelling. Program Fee: $10 per person. Patrons may register themselves and one guest.
Wednesday, August 2 | 11:00am - 12:00pm | Off Site

There's more to read this summer on Hoopla!

We have expanded our digital collections on Hoopla! Use your library card to read, watch, and listen to eBooks, eAudios, comics, movies, music, and more.

In addition to the 15 Hoopla Instant borrows patrons receive each month, you now have 2 Hoopla Flex borrows on specially-marked Hoopla Flex eBooks and eAudios.

Need help setting up your account and using Hoopla? Contact the Adult Reference desk to make an appointment for assistance.

*Open to the Public

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**Teen Services**

All programs for teens entering 6th - 12th grade unless otherwise noted.

**Reading Clubs**

100 Books Before Graduation (T488)
In this exciting new reading program, participating teens are challenged to read 100 books before graduating high school. Every 10 books read will earn a free book, and when the challenge is completed teens will receive a final prize and their name on the Underground Wall of Fame! Sign-up today by visiting: 100books.mcplibrary.org or call 631-585-9393 ext. 595.

Teen Summer Reading Club: DIG DEEP: READ. INVESTIGATE. DISCOVER. (T605)
Sign up for the Teen Summer Reading Club! Log your reading throughout the summer and earn raffle tickets for a chance to win awesome prizes. Record books read from July 1st through August 15th. Read for six hours and score an invite to our end-of-summer graffiti art party!

Teen Summer Reading Club Kickoff: Geode Pot Painting (T606)
Come kick off the summer at MCPL! Sign up for the Teen Summer Reading Club and make a cool geode pot to take home.

Saturday, June 24
10:00am - 1:00pm
Centereach & Selden

**Arts/Crafts/Cooking**

Take and Make Program Bags
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
- Available at the Youth Services desks in Centereach and Selden
- Open to MCPL card holders only for the first 4 days, then out-of-district patrons may also pick up bags
- Quantities are limited, and bags are available on a first-come, first-serve basis

Pom Pom Pokémon (T598)
Friday, July 7
Centereach & Selden

Sew Fun (T593)
Friday, August 18

Summer Night Sky (T592)
Friday, July 21

Things That Fly (T595)
Friday, September 1

Velvet Art Mandala Backpacks (T594)
Friday, August 4

Calling All Sixth Graders! (T574)
For students entering 6th grade
Create a fun back-to-school craft while learning about all the great teen programs and services the library offers.

Tuesday, July 11
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Centereach & Selden

OR Tuesday, August 1
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Centereach & Selden

Decoupage Shells (T550)
Create amazing decoupage shells to decorate your space or hold rings and trinkets.

Thursday, July 6
5:30pm - 6:15pm
Centereach

OR Wednesday, August 16
4:30pm - 5:15pm
Centereach

Digital Art & Design (T587)
Learn 3D drawing and sculpting. iPads will be provided or you may bring your own.

Wednesdays, August 30, September 6, 13, 20
7:00pm - 8:30pm
Centereach

Galaxy Donut Workshop (T557)
Create amazing galaxy donuts with sugar glaze, sprinkles and food dye. Everyone goes home with three donuts in a bakery box.

Wednesday, July 19
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Selden

Hand-Sewn Ugly Doll (T555)
For teens entering 7th - 12th grade
Your sewing doesn’t have to be pretty when you stitch up your very own ugly doll! Participants will learn basic sewing techniques from a professional to create their one-of-a-kind project.

Wednesday, August 23
5:00pm - 6:30pm OR 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Centereach

Macramé Water Bottle Holders (T576)
Bring a reusable water bottle and customize your very own water bottle holder out of colorful cord!

Monday, August 28
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Selden

OR Tuesday, August 29
7:30pm - 8:30pm
Selden

Magazine Scrap Beach Art (T548)
Create a paper beach day using scrap paper and old magazines.

Wednesday, July 12
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Selden

OR Tuesday, August 15
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Centereach

Mermaids and Mermen Cupcake Decorating (T559)
Dive into these splashy cupcakes!

Tuesday, September 12
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Selden

Mixed Media Flower Bouquet (T577)
Make a bouquet that will never wither away! Use handmade pompons, felt, tissue paper and pipe cleaners to make a beautiful set of flowers!

Monday, September 11
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Selden

Origami for Teens (T582)
Have some fun creating origami!

Tuesday, July 18
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Selden

OR Tuesday, August 8
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Selden

Paint Pour Geode (T586)
Follow along with Miss Riann to make a unique geode-look canvas painting.

Thursday, August 10
5:30pm - 7:00pm
Selden

Shark Fin Cookies (T558)
Decorate sugar cookies that look fin-tastic!

Monday, August 7
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Selden

Sticker Bomb Water Tumblers (T591)
Pick your stickers and sticker bomb your own water bottle! All supplies will be provided.

Monday, July 17
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Selden

OR Monday, July 24
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Selden
Summer Candy Art Contest (T547)
Create a summer-themed picture using frosting and candy! Show off your artwork and compete for a prize!
Thursday, July 20
4:00pm - 5:00pm
Summer I
Centereach

Sunset Paint-by-Number Party (T575)
Hang out and make a beautiful summer themed sunset canvas to take home!
Monday, August 21
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Summer II
Selden
OR Tuesday, August 29
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Summer II
Selden

Books/Films/Writing

Anime Night (T580)
Join us for fun crafts and games while we watch anime.
Monday, August 14
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Summer II
Centereach

Paying it Forward with Paws (T607)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Visit with therapy dog “Fenway” and listen to her owner and local author Sarah Zagaja as she reads her book Raising Betty and shares information about service dogs.
Tuesday, July 25
Summer I
Centereach
6:00pm - 6:45pm

Teen Writers Café (T608)
Do you LOVE to write? Meet up at the library to explore poetry, prose, fan fiction and more. Share your own work and participate in fun writing challenges!
Tuesday, July 18
Summer I
Centereach
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Tuesday, August 15, September 26
Summer II
Centereach

Tell Us About It Book Club (T571)
For teens entering 7th - 9th grade
Join a group of teens who love to read! Talk about what books you love or what you didn’t like so much. Get some recommendations from other readers.
Tuesday, July 11
Summer I
Selden
4:00pm - 5:00pm
Tuesday, August 8
Summer II
Selden
4:00pm - 5:00pm

Zine Club (T562)
Join us in designing and swapping Zines about a favorite topic or interest. Supplies will be provided to create and self-publish your own zine, or mini-magazine. After the last session, you will receive “Zine Mail” along with a special treat!
Tuesday, July 25
Summer I
Centereach
5:15pm - 6:15pm
Tuesdays, August 15, September 19
Summer II
Centereach
5:15pm - 6:15pm

College/Careers

Career & College Counseling Services*
Looking for a job? Interested in a career? Need help with the college admissions process? Meet one-on-one or virtually with a counselor. Call 631-585-9393 ext. 133. This confidential service is by appointment only.

*Open to the Public

Community Service
Visit www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/ for a complete list of teen community service opportunities.

Buddy Programs

Buddy Training (T568)
Let’s buddy up with some kids and have fun! You must attend Buddy Training in order to volunteer in any of our Buddy programs.
Choose one date.
Wednesday, June 28
Summer I
5:30pm - 6:15pm
Centereach
OR
Thursday, June 29
Summer II
5:30pm - 6:15pm
Selden

Art Buddies (T560)
Work on crafts and art projects with our younger buddies! You must have completed Buddy Training to volunteer.
Thursdays, July 6, 13
Summer I
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Centereach
OR
Thursdays, August 3, 10
Summer II
6:00pm - 7:00pm
Centereach

Book Buddies (T570)
Read a story in person to our younger buddies! You must have completed Buddy Training to volunteer.
Mondays, July 31, August 7
Summer I
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Centereach

STEM Buddies (T569)
Work with younger children playing fun STEM-related activities. You must have completed Buddy Training to volunteer.
Mondays, September 18, 25
Summer II
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Centereach

Crochet for a Cause (T561)
Join instructor Miss Lisa to make crochet projects that we will donate to various local organizations. Everyone from beginner to experienced is welcome. All supplies will be provided. You must attend three out of five sessions in order to receive community service hours.
Mondays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Summer I
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Centereach

Gardening Crew (T552)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade
Join us at the Hobb’s Community Farm to learn about the benefits of organic gardening and to serve the community by planning, preparing, planting, caring for and harvesting gardens. Community service time will be awarded.
Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25
Summer I
5:30pm - 7:00pm
Offsite - Hobb's Farm

MCPL VolunTEENS: Drop-In Community Service (T589)
For teens entering 8th - 12th grade
Drop in to the Underground and earn community service time while working on a group project with your fellow teen volunteers.
Friday, September 15
Summer II
2:30pm - 3:30pm
Centereach
Teen Volunteer Clubs
To join, fill out a virtual application available at www.mcplibrary.org/teens/just-for-fun/community-service/

Green Teens (T520)
Discuss environmental issues, work on eco-friendly projects and receive community service credit for participating.

Media Teens (T521)
Get community service for helping promote library events and clubs by making videos and taking awesome pictures! We’ll meet each month to discuss which events and clubs to promote and how!

The Mutt Club (T522)
Do you love animals? Want to personally help local shelters? Become a Mutt Club Member and get involved! The Mutt Club will meet monthly where members will be able to help animals in a variety of ways.

Teen Advisory Council (T523)
For teens entering 7th - 12th grade
Members plan and implement library programs, and provide input on teen services at MCPL.

Driving/Pre-Licensing
Pre-Licensing Class (A703)*
For teens entering 11th - 12th grade
Students will learn the basic rules of the road, safe driving principles, defensive driving skills, and other factors which affect driving. Bring your permit and $55 fee in CASH to class.

Saturday, July 22 OR August 26 OR September 23
10:00am - 3:00pm

Friday Night Teen Programs (T553)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade.
Please register for each date you plan on attending.

Buzz-in Trivia Challenge (T553)
Are you the master of random nerdy knowledge? Marvelous at Marvel? Victorious at video games? An expert at Anime? Then get your buzzer hand ready to battle it out at Teen Trivia Night!

Friday, August 11
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Challenge Night (T553)
Grab your friends or meet new ones when you play these fun team games and challenges.

Friday, September 22
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Teen Computer Drop-in (T553)
Enjoy time on the computers or iPads on your own or with a friend. The Library’s Internet policy is applicable to all participants.

Friday, July through September except July 28
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Create-On Crafts (T553)
Do you love crafting? Join us for some fun projects to do with your friends. July: Paint a Beach Bag, August: Scrapbooking Night, September: Back to School Vision Board.

Friday, July 21, August 18 and September 15
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Drum Circle (T553)
Have fun and learn about drum circles.

Friday, August 4
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Game Night (T553)
Game on! Join us for an evening of fun games with friends.
Friday, September 8
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Kahoot Trivia (T553)
Play trivia at the library with your friends.
Friday, September 1
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Popcorn & A Movie Night (T553)
Join us on Friday night for a feature film and snacks!
Friday, August 25
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Outdoor Gaming Bus (T553)
Kick off your summer with outdoor gaming on the library SLED bus! Play Nintendo Switch inside and outside the custom bus from the Suffolk Cooperative Library System!
Friday, July 7
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Open Door TRC (T553)
Want a place to go with your friends to play games & hangout together? A place that’s fun and best of all FREE! Check out Open Door TRC every Friday night.
Fridays, July through September, except July 28
6:30pm - 8:00pm

PuzzlePalooza (T553)
Join us for a fun night of puzzles of all kinds - from word puzzles to Rubik’s cubes and everything in between!

Friday, September 29
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Smash Brothers Ultimate (T553)
Come play Smash Brothers Ultimate and battle it out on the big screen, - all maps and characters included!
Friday, July 14
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Dungeons & Dragons (T585)
Join us on an epic adventure with your Dungeons and Dragons guide Justin.

Thursdays, July 6, 20, August 3, 17, 31, September 14, 28
6:00pm - 8:30pm

Game Time (T603)
Let’s play some popular games for Nintendo Switch or try out Mario Kart Live: Home Circuit!

Tuesdays, August 1, September 5
7:00pm - 8:00pm

Hangin’ @ Club 5, 6, 7 - Mario Party Superstars (T565)
For teens entering 5th - 8th grade
Join us as we play Mario Party™ Superstars in our space created just for you!

Monday, July 17
4:00pm - 5:00pm

Teen Crafternoon and Gaming in the Underground! (T579)
For teens entering 8th - 12th grade
Drop by the Underground for craft and gaming activities!

Mondays, July 3, August 7, September 4
2:30pm - 5:00pm
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Friday, July 28 Summer I

Island Idol (T546)
For teens entering 6th - 12th grade with friends and families.
Singers, guitarists, musicians and bands will battle it out for best performances of the evening at our annual music competition. Prizes will be given out to the top acts, so bring your friends and families and root for your favorites!
Friday, July 28
6:00pm - 10:00pm

Island Idol Auditions (T556)
For teens entering 6th - recently graduated 12th graders
Calling all singers and musicians! Audition to compete in this summer’s music festival. Audition applications are available online or at any reference desk, and can be submitted until July 5. Selected acts will be notified by Thursday, July 20th if they are chosen to perform in the show.
Monday, July 17 Summer I
6:00pm - 8:30pm Selden
OR Tuesday, July 18 Summer I
6:00pm - 8:30pm Selden

Island Idol One-On-One Coaching (T554)
For teens entering 6th - recently graduated 12th graders
Planning on auditioning for Island Idol? Work with a music professional on your audition piece.
Monday, July 10 Summer I
5:30pm - 7:00pm Centereach
OR Tuesday, July 11 Summer I
5:00pm - 6:30pm Selden

Yoga for All (T581)
For students entering 6th to 12th grade with special needs.
Parents and/or caregivers are encouraged to attend to support their child as needed. Please bring a yoga mat or towel/small blanket and water.
Monday, July 10 Summer I
4:00pm - 4:45pm Centereach
Monday, August 7 Summer II
4:00pm - 4:45pm Centereach

Music

Island Discord (T0364)
For teens entering 7th (age 13) - 12th grade
Drop in to our Discord server to game or just chat with one another. Fill out a Teen Discord application in order to be added to our Discord server, which will allow you to join the program:
https://tinyurl.com/mcplteendiscord
Daily Monday - Friday, July 3 - September 1, except July 4
9:30am - 9:00pm Discord
Daily Monday - Friday, September 5 - 29
1:00pm - 9:00pm Discord

Trading Card Club (T588)
For children entering 4th - 8th grade
Like Pokémon, Yu-Gi-Oh, Bakugan Battle Brawlers, Cardfight Vanguard? Bring your trading cards to the library to share, battle, and, if you want to, trade!
Wednesdays, June 28, July 26 Summer I
6:00pm - 6:45pm Centerreach
Wednesday, August 23 Summer II
6:00pm - 6:45pm Centerreach

Health & Wellness

Cyber Safety (J109)
For parents/caregivers and their entering 5th - 8th graders
Cyber Safety encourages proper safety measures to take while using the internet, phone apps, texting, and social media while tackling common misconceptions surrounding these things. The program discusses positives and negatives of using various popular apps and concludes with several role-play scenarios where children will learn to handle potentially harmful situations.
Monday, July 24 Summer I
6:00pm - 7:00pm Centerreach

Teens Chat & Craft (T604)
For teens entering 7th - 12th grade (6th grade see school age)
Relax, socialize and craft at the library with our MCPL social worker! Sponsored by NY Community Bank Foundation.
Thursdays, June 22, July 27 Summer I
6:30pm - 7:30pm Centerreach

Time for Meditation (T551)
Let’s make time to meditate. We’ll do simple breathing techniques and movements before lying down and doing a guided meditation. Bring a yoga mat, pillow, and/or light blanket.
Tuesday, July 25 Summer I
7:15pm - 8:15pm Selden
Tuesdays, August 22, September 26 Summer II
7:15pm - 8:15pm Selden

Nature/Science & Technology

3D Printing with TinkerCad (T596)
Learn how to create a 3D image using TinkerCad, then print it out.
Tuesday, August 1 Summer II
5:30pm - 6:30pm Centerreach

3Doodler (T567)
Saturday, July 22 Summer I
1:00pm - 2:00pm Centerreach

Cricut Craft (T601)
Create your own “Hello Summer” sign using the Cricut.
Thursday, July 27 Summer I
1:00pm - 2:30pm Centerreach

DIY Cloud Light (T564)
Thursday, August 10 Summer II
5:30pm - 6:30pm Centerreach

Garden Stepping Stones (T563)
Create a stone to grace your garden or yard.
Monday, July 10 Summer I
10:00am - 10:45am Centerreach
OR Tuesday, August 1 Summer II
10:00am - 10:45am Centerreach

Innovation Space Drop-In (T602)
Check out the Innovation Space and something unique!
Tuesday, July 25 Summer I
1:00pm - 2:00pm Centerreach
OR Wednesday, August 30 Summer I
4:00pm - 5:00pm Centerreach

Laser Engraver (T600)
Make a puzzle using the laser engraver.
Monday, August 7 Summer II
6:00pm - 7:00pm Centerreach

Notebook Sublimation (T573)
Create a one of a kind notebook for back to school.
Wednesday, August 16 Summer II
6:00pm - 7:00pm Centerreach

Piper Computer Build (T597)
For tweens entering 4th - 6th grade
Build a computer! In part I we will build the physical computer. In part II, we will play Minecraft missions to continue programming the computer.
Thursdays, August 17, 24 Summer II
5:30pm - 6:30pm Centerreach

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Children and Families

Reading Clubs

1000 Books Before Kindergarten (J800)
For families with children birth - 5 years old (not yet in Kindergarten)
Middle Country Public Library is participating in the national initiative known as 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. This ongoing reading club promotes child and parent bonding through reading with infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Children will receive a prize for every 100 books read. Sign up at a Youth Services reference desk or call 631-585-9393 ext. 559.

Summer Reading Club: DIG DEEP: READ. INVESTIGATE. DISCOVER. (J119)
For children birth - entering 5th grade
Register now! Record books read from July 1st through August 16th. For every half hour read, kids will receive a raffle ticket and have a chance to win prizes. Your Quest: Read a total of four hours to complete the club, then receive a final prize and an invitation to our end of the summer celebration.

Summer Reading Club Kickoff: The Great & Powerful Dave (J119)
For children birth - entering 5th grade
Saturday, June 24
11:00am - 11:45am  Centereach

Family Programs

Apple Festival (J107)
For families with children entering Pre-K - 5th grade
Celebrate this year’s apple harvest at the Nature Explorium. Join us for apple-themed games, activities, and a fall snack. Please register each child attending.
Saturday, September 16
11:00am - 12:30pm  Centereach

Everyday is a Holiday (J203)
For families with children entering Pre-K - 2nd grade
Drop-in and create a simple craft based on some fun holidays, while supplies last.
Pineapple Day: Tuesday, June 27
Macaroni Day: Friday, July 7
Shark Awareness Day: Friday, July 14
Emoji Day: Monday, July 17
International Cat Day: Tuesday, August 8
Play in the Sand Day: Friday, August 11
1:00pm - 1:45pm  Centereach

Family Style Baking: Chocolate Chip Berry Banana Bread (J110)
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Choose one session. Register one person per family.
Thursday, July 27
4:30pm - 5:30pm OR 6:00pm - 7:00pm  Centereach

Family Style Cooking: Churros (J128)
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Choose one session. Register one person per family.
Saturday, August 5
10:00am - 11:00am
OR 11:30am - 12:30pm
OR 1:00pm - 2:00pm  Centereach

Family Sing-Along Piano Concert (J131)
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Join pianist Dan Fogel for a piano concert like none other for Disney and animated film lovers and their families. Dan will take hundreds of requests from dozens of films.
Tuesday, July 11
7:00pm - 8:00pm  Selden

Meet the Animals LIVE! (J186)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 years and up
Come and meet goats, chickens, ducks, and a rabbit and learn all about what they do on the farm.
Saturday, September 9
10:30am - 12:30pm  Centereach

Mutts and a Movie (J175)
For families with children entering K - 5th grade
Grab a blanket or chair and enjoy a dog-themed outdoor movie in our Nature Explorium. Dogs are welcome to join but must be leashed and picked up afterwards. Movie will begin at 8:15pm.
Friday, July 7
7:45pm - 10:00pm  Centereach

Willy Wonka: The Musical (J122)
For families with children 3 years old - 5th grade
Everyone’s favorite candy man graces the stage in this fast-paced musical based on the award-winning book and movie.
Saturday, July 29
2:00pm - 3:00pm  Selden

Infant/Toddler Programs

Babies Boogie (J132)
For parents/caregivers with children birth - 23 months old
CHOOSE ONE PER MONTH.
Friday, July 14
10:00am - 10:45am  Centercach
Tuesday, July 25
5:30pm - 6:15pm  Centereach
Saturday, August 5
10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach
Tuesday, August 15
5:30pm - 6:30pm  Centereach
Friday, September 22
10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach

Baby & Me (J100)
For parents/caregivers with children birth - 23 months old
CHOOSE TWO DATES.
Tuesday, June 27
10:00am - 10:30am  Centered
Tuesday, July 25
10:00am - 10:30am  Centered
Monday, August 14
5:00pm - 5:30pm  Selden
Friday, September 8
10:00am - 10:30am  Selden

Baby Music (J148)
For parents/caregivers with children birth - 12 months old
Join us for some fun songs, instruments, sensory play & socialization.
Monday, July 17
10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach
Monday, August 28
10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach

Dance With Me (J137)
For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 36 months old
Monday, July 10
10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach
OR 11:00am - 11:45am  Centereach
Tuesdays, August 22, September 12
10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach
OR 11:00am - 11:45am  Centereach
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1. **Touchdown Tots (J187)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 35 months old
   - **Fridays, August 11 & 18**
   - 10:00am - 10:45am
   - **Centereach**

2. **Lil’ Sluggers (J191)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 35 months old
   - **Tuesday, August 8**
   - 10:00am - 10:45am
   - **Centereach**

3. **Muscles in Motion! (J150)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 3 years old
   - **Monday, July 24**
   - 10:00am - 10:45am
   - **Centereach**

4. **Time for Twos (J101)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 24 - 35 months old
   - **Tuesday, June 27**
   - 11:00am - 11:30am
   - **Selden**
   - **Tuesday, July 25**
   - 6:00pm - 6:30pm
   - **Selden**
   - **Monday, August 14**
   - 11:00am - 11:30am
   - **Selden**
   - **Friday, September 8**
   - 11:00am - 11:30am
   - **Selden**

5. **Tiny Tales Storycraft (J151)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 3 years old
   - **Friday, July 7**
   - 10:00am - 10:30am
   - **Centereach**

6. **Toddler Music (J149)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 13 months - 3 years old
   - **Monday, July 17**
   - 11:00am - 11:45am
   - **Centereach**
   - **Monday, August 28**
   - 11:00am - 11:45am
   - **Centereach**

7. **Toddlers Explore (J126)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 36 months old
   - **June 28, July 17**
   - 10:30am - 11:15am
   - **Centereach**
   - **August 7, September 18**
   - 10:30am - 11:15am
   - **Centereach**

8. **Toddlers Tango (J133)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 24 months - 4 years old
   - **Friday, July 14**
   - 11:00am - 11:45am
   - **Centereach**
   - **Tuesday, July 25**
   - 6:30pm - 7:15pm
   - **Centereach**
   - **Saturday, August 5**
   - 11:00am - 11:45am
   - **Centereach**
   - **Tuesday, August 15**
   - 6:30pm - 7:15pm
   - **Centereach**
   - **Friday, September 22**
   - 11:00am - 11:45am
   - **Centereach**

9. **Touchdown Tots (J187)**
   - For parents/caregivers with children 18 - 35 months old
   - **Friday, June 30**
   - 10:00am - 10:45am
   - **Centereach**

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### Aerospace Workshop with Brixology (J105)

**For children entering 3rd - 5th grade**

Launch your imagination as you explore aerospace engineering!

- **Tuesday, July 18**
  - 10:00am - 11:45am
  - **Centereach**

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### Boat Float! (J108)

**For children entering 2nd - 5th grade**

Build a tower using cardboard, toothpicks, and marshmallows. Will it be strong enough to stay standing through an earthquake?

- **Wednesday, July 19**
  - 10:00am - 11:45am
  - **Centereach**

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### Pom-Pom Physics (J115)

**For children entering K - 2nd grade**

Create and experiment with pom-poms and cardboard tubes. Design and test your pom-pom drop to see how gravity affects each in this Museum Corner program.

- **Wednesday, July 19**
  - 10:00am - 11:45am
  - **Centereach**

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### Shake, Rattle, and Roll! Earthquake Challenge (J117)

**For children entering K - 2nd grade**

Build a tower using cardboard, toothpicks, and marshmallows. Will it be strong enough to stay standing through an earthquake?

- **Thursday, July 6**
  - 10:00am - 11:45am
  - **Centereach**

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### Nature Explorium

#### Apple Festival (J107)

**For families with children entering Pre-K - 5th grade**

Celebrate this year’s apple harvest at the Nature Explorium. Join us for apple-themed games, activities, and a fall snack. Please register each child attending.

- **Saturday, September 16**
  - 11:00am - 12:30pm
  - **Centereach**

#### Going on a Nature Explorium Bear Hunt (J111)

**For children entering K - 2nd grade**

Launch your imagination as you explore aerospace engineering!

- **Tuesday, July 11**
  - 10:00am - 11:45am
  - **Centereach**

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### Nature Explore (J103)

**For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old**

Explore natural and sensory materials in this hands-on exploration program. This program is supported by the TD Charitable Foundation.

**Choose one session.**

- **Thursday, July 6**
  - 6:30pm - 7:15pm
  - **Centereach**

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Patterns in Nature (J213)
For children in 3rd - 5th grade
Friday, July 14 11:00am - 12:00pm  Centereach
Summer I
Friday, August 4 11:00am - 12:00pm  Centereach
Summer II
Rocks, Minerals, and Gems, Oh My! (J162)
For children in 1st - 5th grade
Friday, July 21 4:00pm - 4:45pm OR 5:30pm - 6:15pm  Centereach
Sunlight Art (J120)
For children entering 1st - 5th grade
Friday, July 21 10:30am - 11:15am  Centereach
OR Wednesday, July 26 3:00pm - 3:45pm  Centereach
Under a Shady Tree (J104)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 5 years old
Join us for fun, interactive open-ended play.
Tuesday, August 8 5:30pm - 6:30pm  Centereach
OR Wednesday, August 9 10:00am - 11:00am  Centereach
Parenting and Child Care Providers

Presented by The Crime Victims Center:

Apple of My Eye (J102)
For parents and caregivers
This program is designed to help prevent, detect and report child sexual abuse as well as provide adult rape prevention tips. Parents will learn skills to protect their child from sexual abuse and services available to crime victims, receive a free certificate included for all attendees that complete the course and a FREE Tool-Kit upon completion for Suffolk County residents.
Monday, July 17 6:00pm - 7:00pm  Centereach
Summer I
You’re in Charge (J123)
For children entering k - 3rd grade
Enforces child safety by teaching empowerment and body-autonomy through an explanation of boundaries, good touches and bad touches, our 10 Rules for Safety, The Touching Rule, importance of not keeping secrets, and the importance of saying "no" and telling a trusted adult.
Monday, July 17 6:00pm - 7:00pm  Centereach
Summer I
Cyber Safety (J109)
For parents/caregivers and their entering 5th - 8th grade
Cyber Safety encourages proper safety measures to take while using the internet, phone apps, texting, and social media while tackling common misconceptions surrounding these things. The program discusses positives and negatives of using various popular apps and concludes with several role-play scenarios where children will learn to handle potentially harmful situations.
Monday, July 24 6:00pm - 7:00pm  Centereach
Summer I
Free Lunch for Kids @ MCPL (J169)
For children 18 years and younger
Have lunch with us @ MCPL. This program is designed to fill the nutritional gap for children and is provided by Long Island Cares. Out of district welcome. No enrollment necessary. The Green Teens will be offering nature-themed activities for the kids each Wednesday of the Free Lunch program.
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in July & August 11:30pm - 12:30pm  Centereach
Tuesdays, Thursdays in July & August 11:30pm - 12:30pm  Selden
Long Island Cares Mobile Food Van (J896)*
Open to all
Long Island Cares will have a mobile food pantry van on-site for a three-day food distribution. No identification required.
Thursdays, July 13, August 10, September 14 11:30am - 12:30pm  Centereach-Parking Lot
Shots for Tots (J214)
For families
Please bring child’s immunization record. Services provided by the Suffolk County Department of Health.
Tuesdays, August 1, September 5 11:00am - 3:00pm  Selden
Preschool Programs
Take and Make Program Bags
For preschool children
- Available at the Youth Services desks in Centereach and Selden
- Open to MCPL card holders only for the first 4 days, then out-of-district patrons may also pick up bags
- Quantities are limited, and bags are available on a first-come, first-served basis
Celebrate USA (J138)
Friday, July 7
Down By the Shore (J139)
Friday, July 21
Trail Adventures (J140)
Friday, August 4
Deep Dive (J141)
Friday, August 18
Sweet Shop (J142)
Friday, September 1
Away on Safari (J143)
Friday, September 15
All Together Now! (J153)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Wednesday, July 5 10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach
OR Thursday, July 20 10:00am - 10:45am  Selden
Summer I
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Summer I
Around Town (J152)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Tuesday, July 18 5:00pm - 5:45pm  Centereach
OR Wednesday, July 26 10:00am - 10:45pm  Selden
Summer I
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Bilingual Storytime! (J176)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Join Mrs. Gloster and Ms. Ramos for a special bilingual English-Spanish storytime!
Thursday, September 14 11:00am - 11:30am  Centereach
Summer II
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Berry Magic (J156)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Wednesday, August 2 10:00am - 10:45am  Selden
OR Thursday, August 10 10:00am - 10:45am  Centereach
Summer II
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Summer II
Colors, Shapes & Sizes (J180)
For parents/caregivers and children 3 - 5 years old
Thursday, September 7
10:00am - 10:45am
OR Friday, September 15
10:00am - 10:45am

DIG In! (J168)
For parents/caregivers and children 3 - 5 years old
Tuesday, August 8
5:00pm - 5:45pm
OR Thursday, August 17
10:00am - 10:45am

I Scream for Ice Cream! (J177)
For parents/caregivers and children 3 - 5 years old
Tuesday, August 1
10:00am - 10:45am
OR Saturday, August 12
10:00am - 10:45am

Jump Bunch (J185)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Fridays, August 11 & 18
11:00am - 11:45am

LAX Fun! (J193)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 6 years old
Friday, August 25
10:00am - 10:45am

Lemonade Stand (J155)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Monday, July 3
11:00am - 11:45am
OR Thursday, July 13
10:00am - 10:45am

Lil’ Athletes Soccer (J190)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 6 years old
Thursday, July 27
11:00am - 11:45am

Maisy Mouse (J181)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Monday, September 11
11:00am - 11:45am
OR Thursday, September 21
10:00am - 10:45am

On My Own (J183)
For children entering Pre-K - kindergarten without a parent
Let’s get ready for school with socialization through free play, skill building through art activities and a story time.
August 23 & 24
10:00am - 10:45am
OR August 29 & 30
10:00am - 10:45am

Sensory Storytime (J210)
For children in Pre-K - 3rd grade
See description on page 17.
Monday, July 24
6:30pm - 7:15pm
Monday, August 7
6:30pm - 7:15pm

Slimy Sticky Storytime (J154)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Dress to make a mess and enjoy this story time that is sticky good!
Friday, July 28
10:00am - 10:45am

Sluggers (J192)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 6 years old
Tuesday, August 8
10:00am - 11:45am

Splash Around! (J178)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Wednesday, August 16 (Rain date: Monday, August 21)
10:00am - 10:45am
OR 11:15am - 12:15pm

Storytime Yoga (J136)
For parents/caregivers with children 18 months - 5 years old
Wednesday, July 12
10:00am - 10:45am (18 - 36 months)
11:00am - 11:45am (4 - 5 years old)
OR Monday, September 13
10:00am - 10:45am (18 - 36 months)
11:00am - 11:45am (4 - 5 years old)

Tot Time (J147)
For parents/caregivers with children 2 - 4 years old
Wednesdays, August 2, September 27
10:30am - 11:00am

Wacky Weather (J179)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Wednesday, September 6
10:00am - 10:45am
OR Monday, September 25
10:00am - 10:45am

We Love a Luau! (J157)
For parents/caregivers with children 3 - 5 years old
Friday, August 4
10:00am - 10:45am
OR Saturday, August 19
10:00am - 10:45am

3Doodler Start (J165)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Saturday, July 22
11:00am - 12:00pm

A-maze-ing Mealworms (J106)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Work with a partner to do hands-on behavior experiments and learn how to handle your mealworm with care. Collaborate as a group to create a maze for the mealworm to navigate through.
Wednesday, July 12
2:00pm - 3:00pm

Art Buddies (J134)
For children 4 - 7 years old
Thursdays, July 6, 13
6:15pm - 7:00pm
Thursdays, August 3, 10
6:15pm - 7:00pm

Beginning Sign Language (J208)
For children entering 1st - 4th grade
Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25
10:00am - 10:45am OR 10:45am - 11:30am

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Shark Week (J167)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Friday, July 7

Creative Kaleidoscopes (J206)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Friday, July 7

Beach Themed Wall Art (J144)
Friday, July 21

Ceramic Aztec Sun Plaque (J145)
Friday, August 4

Summer is Sweet (J158)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Friday, August 18

Simple Stitch (J207)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Friday, August 18

DIY Back to School (J161)
Friday, September 1

Rainy Day Umbrella (J146)
Friday, September 15

Book Buddies (J172)
For children 3 - 7 years old
Come sit for a story with our Teen Buddies!
Mondays, July 31, August 7
5:45pm - 6:30pm

Build It (J170)
For children entering K - 5th grade
Saturday, July 15
10:00am - 10:45am (K - 2nd grade)
11:00am - 11:45am (3rd - 5th grade)

Clay Coil Bowls (J130)
For children entering 3rd - 4th grade
Wednesday, July 26
11:15am - 12:00pm
Monday, August 7
11:15am - 12:00pm

Clay Tile Pasta Prints (J129)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Wednesday, July 26
10:00am - 10:45am
Monday, August 7
10:00am - 10:45am

Code with Bee Bot (J205)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Tuesday, July 11
11:00am - 11:45am

Comic Book Creation (J204)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Wednesdays, August 30, September 6, 13, 20
5:30pm - 6:15pm

Crochet for Kids (J135)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Summer I
Mondays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
5:00pm - 6:00pm

Discovery Beach Art Picture Frame (J163)
For children entering 3rd - 4th grade
Summer I
Tuesday, July 25
10:30am - 11:30am
Mon, August 14
10:30am - 11:30am

Fun with Ozobots (J209)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Summer II
Monday, August 14
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Hangin’ @ Club 5, 6, 7 - Mario Party™ Superstars (T565)
For teens entering 5th - 8th grade
Join us as we play Mario Party™ Superstars in our space created just for you!
Monday, July 17
4:00pm - 5:00pm

Initial Paint Canvas (J159)
For parents/caregivers with children entering Pre-K - 2nd grade
Summer I
Monday, July 24
10:00am - 10:45am OR 11:00am - 11:45am

Investigate Hidden Art (J113)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Summer I
Wednesday, July 5
10:00am - 10:45am
Tuesday, August 1
11:00am - 11:45am

Jump Bunch Fun with Sports (J201)
For children entering 1st - 3rd grade
Summer II
Fridays, August 11 & 18
12:00pm - 12:45pm

Let’s Get Together (J211)
For families with children K - 5th grade
An inclusive environment where families and children are invited to develop friendships and social skills through language, art, and physical activities!
Friday, July 7
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Friday, August 4
6:30pm - 7:30pm

Light Up Angler Fish Craft (J200)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Summer II
Thursday, August 31
5:30pm - 6:15pm

Magical Dragon Egg (J114)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Summer II
Friday, August 4
10:00am - 10:45am OR 11:30am - 12:15pm

Machine Sewing for Kids (J127)
For children entering 3rd - 6th grade
Learn to use a sewing machine and create a unique fabric bookmark to take home.
Wednesday, August 16
5:00pm - 6:30pm OR 7:00pm - 8:30pm

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Origami Fun (J174)
For children entering 1st - 5th grade
Thursday, July 20
10:30am - 11:15am (1st - 2nd grade)
11:45am - 12:45pm (3rd - 5th grade)

Painting with Sphero (J202)
For children entering K - 5th grade
Thursday, July 20
5:15pm - 6:00pm (K - 2nd)
6:30pm - 7:00pm (3rd - 5th)

Sculpey Figurine Workshop (J116)
For children entering 4th - 5th grade
Wednesday, July 19
4:30pm - 6:00pm
Tuesday, August 8
7:00pm - 8:30pm

Shrinky Art Creations Workshop (J118)
For children entering 4th - 5th grade
Monday, July 24
4:30pm - 6:00pm
Monday, August 21
11:00am - 12:30pm

Summer Slime Time! (J125)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Wednesday, July 5
3:45pm - 4:30pm
Wednesday, August 30
3:45pm - 4:30pm

STEM Buddies (J171)
For children in K - 2nd grade
Mondays, September 18, 25
5:45pm - 6:30pm

Surfs Up! (J164)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Friday, July 14
4:00pm - 4:45pm
Thursday, August 10
4:00pm - 4:45pm

Talk With Me Tool Kit (J197)
For parents/caregivers with children 4 - 7 years old
Parents and children will work with the Smithsonian Talk with Me Tool Kits to enhance literacy skills. This project was made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Tissue Paper Beach Art (J160)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Monday, July 31
10:00am - 10:45am OR 11:00am - 11:45am

Trading Card Club (T588)
For children entering 4th - 8th grade
Like Pokemon, Yu-Gi-Oh, Bakugan Battle Brawlers, Cardfight Vanguard? Bring your trading cards to the library to share, battle, and, if you want to, trade!

Tweens Chat & Craft (J212)
For children entering 4th - 6th grade
Relax, socialize and craft at the library with our MCPL social worker!

Up in the Air (J121)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Tuesday, August 15
1:00pm - 2:00pm

We’re All in This Together (J166)
For children entering K - 2nd grade
Thursday, June 29
1:00pm - 2:00pm AND Thursday, July 6
1:00pm - 2:30pm

Written and Illustrated by... You! (J958)
For children entering 3rd - 5th grade
Become an author and illustrator as you create a picture book which will be displayed in the library for the other children to enjoy. Please plan on attending both sessions.

Yoga for All (J173)
For children in K - 3rd grade with their parent/caregiver
Yoga for children with special needs and their parents or caregivers. Please bring yoga mat or towel/small blanket and water. Please register child only.

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Friends’ Community Garage Sale

Saturday, September 9th
Rain Date: September 16th
Join the Friends for a community garage sale at MCPL - Centereach’s parking lot. This event is open to all, so clean out your closets and garage and register for a spot to sell your stuff! Spaces are limited, and start at $20 a spot. If you are interested in serving on the Garage Sale Committee or would like more information, please email us at friends@mcplibrary.org

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TD Charitable Foundation Supports Miller Center Series

TD Charitable Foundation is supporting a new series of the Miller Business Center with a generous award of $5,000. The series, Fundamentals of Technology for Job Seekers, will assist mid-career individuals to obtain the necessary digital literacy skills and comfort with technology to prepare them for all phases of the job search, including career exploration, job search skills, resume preparation and basic computer skills. For more information, contact Elizabeth Malafi at 631-585-9393 ext. 296.

ShopRite is the Island Idol Sponsor

ShopRite, a Gallagher Family Market, is once again the sponsor of Island Idol, with a generous $1,000 award. Celebrating 19 years of music, Island Idol is an inspiring night of teen talent with performances by solo artists and music groups across many genres. Island Idol will be held on Friday, July 28th at 6:00 p.m. in MCPL’s Centereach parking lot. For more information about this popular event, please contact Kristine Tanzi at 631-585-9393 ext. 230.
Mujeres Latinas

Explore the Innovation Space!

The Mujeres Latinas program was created at MCPL to connect patrons with community resources and introduce them to the wide variety of library services. This program aims to empower attendees through educational and informative workshops. The meetings occur twice a month and are open to Spanish speaking women and their families. For more information, contact Gilda Ramos at 631-585-9393 ext. 248 or Amber Gagliardi at ext. 274.

Strictly Business

The 15th annual Strictly Business event featured more than 80 businesses and business organizations and welcomed over 500 attendees. This partnership between the library’s Miller Business Center, the Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce and the Brookhaven Chambers of Commerce Coalition was created to promote local businesses and encourage economic development in Brookhaven.

Pictured (l to r): front row: Lisa Mitnick, board member, Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce; Sophia Serlis-McPhillips, library director, Middle Country Public Library; Lenore Poprocky, president, Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce; Barbara Ransome, president, Brookhaven Chambers of Commerce Coalition; Ken Oehler, vice president, Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce; Mary Anne Hesse, hotel sales manager, Holiday Inn Express – Stony Brook; Christopher Replak, vice president relationship manager, TD Bank; Matt Heeter, Synergy Wealth Strategies; top row: Sal DiVincenzo, business librarian, Miller Business Center; Edward Russo, mortgage loan officer, TD Bank; Elizabeth Malafi, coordinator, Miller Business Center; Ryan Gessner, assistant library director, Middle Country Public Library.

TD Bank Is Top Sponsor for Strictly Business

TD Bank has provided a generous grant of $5,000 to the Middle Country Library Foundation in support of Strictly Business and the Women’s EXPO. As the Strictly Business Enterprise sponsor, TD Bank supports the library’s efforts to bring valuable educational, networking and tradeshow experience to the local and regional business community. For more information about Strictly Business, Women’s EXPO, and the many programs of the Miller Business Center, please visit www.millerbusinesscenter.org.

Pictured (l to r): Sophia Serlis-McPhillips, library director; Edward Pesapane, V.P., store manager, Lake Ronkonkoma; Elizabeth Malafi, coordinator, Miller Center; Maryellen Ferretti, retail market manager, V.P. Long Island East Region; Edward Russo, mortgage loan officer; Christopher Replak, V.P., relationship manager; and Mitchell Rubin, mortgage sales manager, TD Bank.
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