

Enriching the Lives of the Community Through a Good Library Experience

June - August 2021

This Summer Reading Colors Your World



Join our Summer Reading Program! June 1st to July 31st, 2021

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Sign-Up: Register In-Person at the Youth & Adult Services Desks OR Online at our Beanstack!

Unlock Badges:

Unlock Badges for reading, writing reviews, and doing activities!

Win ⊨ Prizes: ^y

Every badge is worth at least 1 raffle ticket! Enter your tickets into raffles for fun prizes!

richtonparklibrary.beanstack.org

Learn more about our Summer Reading Program on pages 3-6 of the newsletter!

Save the Date: Sips for Scholars Returns!



The Friends of the Richton Park Library will be hosting their annual Sips for Scholars Fundraising event on **Saturday, August 28th, 2021**.

The event will be outdoors (*weather permitting*). Must be 21 years of age or older to attend this event.

More details will be released this summer on our website & social media channels!



9th Annual Geocache Competition!

Go on an adventure and discover hidden virtual caches (QR Codes) at participating libraries!

Find the Geocache and scan the QR code! Then fill out the log form and you will be entered for a chance to win a \$25 gift card at each location.

Open to all ages! Get started or learn more at: **multilibrarygeocache.weebly.com**

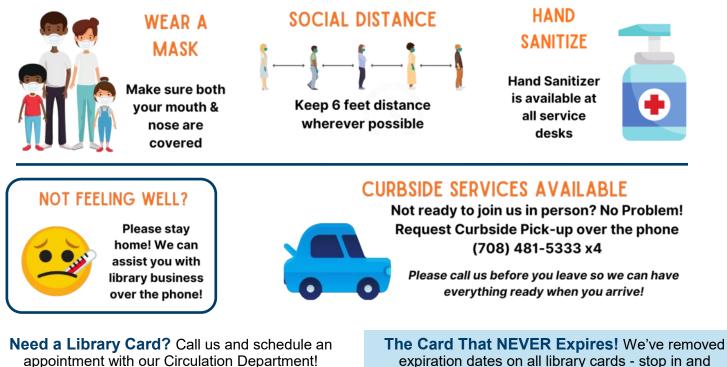
Read & Explore with Your Library Card

Did you know? Your library card gives you access to our eLibrary on our website: www.richtonparklibrary.org!



Visit Us! Library Safety Guide

We love it when you and your family visit the library! We've made a small guide on visiting the library to keep you and other visitors safe!



FREE Gifts for new cardholders while supplies last.

expiration dates on all library cards - stop in and update your signature to activate this offer!

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: www.richtonparklibrary.org

Summer Reading Program

June 1st to July 31st, 2021

We challenge you to read 30 Days this Summer! Register for one of our 4 Reading Programs this Summer:



Read to Me : Ages 0-5



Elementary : Ages 6-12



Teen : Ages 13-18

Adults & Seniors

Register Online at richtonparklibrary.beanstack.org or at the Reference Desks

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Read Every Day: Log your days online with our Beanstack or offline on the next page. Unlock a badge every 6 days that you read. Every logging badge earns you 6 raffle tickets!

Write Reviews: Loved a book? Didn't care for a book? Let us know! You can write book reviews online on our Beanstack or pick up a review form at our reference desks.

Ages 0-18: Unlock a badge when you write 3 reviews. Earns 3 Raffle Tickets.

Adults & Seniors: Unlock a badge for each review you write (Max 5). Earns 1 Raffle Ticket each.

Activities: We've got a lot of fun activities planned this summer! Read all about them in this newsletter! Earns 1 Raffle Ticket each.



Look for this icon to find out how to earn badges! Each Activity Badge is worth 1 extra raffle ticket!

WIN PRIZES!

Use your raffle tickets to try for one prize or all the prizes—it's up to you! We have more raffle prizes than we can fit in the newsletter, but here's some of the highlights!



Crafternoon Delight: Win a Cricut Explore Air 2 & more in this Adult Raffle Prize Bundle!

Boba Cup Kit: DIY your own Bubble Tea with this fun Teen Raffle Prize!





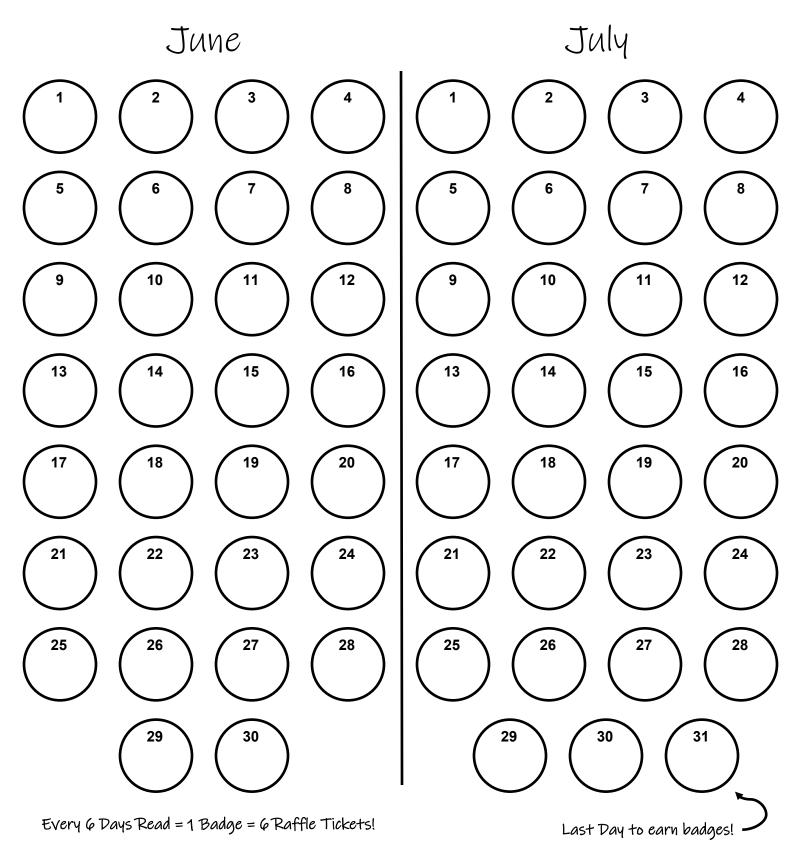
RC Trucks: We have a couple RC Trucks you can win for our Elementary Level!

All of the prizes are on display in the Display Cases at the library: Teen & Adult in the entrance hallway & the Youth in the Youth Services Display Case.

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Read Every Day! Family Reading Log

Keep track of your reading offline with this handy reading log! You can check off or initial the days you and your family have read. If you're not using the online Beanstack, you can turn in this page to earn your reading badges!



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Youth & Teen Activity Guide



Ages 6-12: Join us twice a month for a new Grab & Go Craft! Kits includes instructions & most* of the supplies you'll need (*we don't include basics like scissors and glue). *Available while supplies last.*



Ages 6-12: Unlock a new badge by showing us your completed craft kit!



Ages 0-5: Celebrate all the colors of the rainbow each week with our weekly color-themed reading lists! Keep an eye on our social channels for a surprise story time video each month!



Ages 0-5: Unlock a new badge by reading a color-themed book!



Ages 0-12: Celebrate Diversity with our weekly Diversity reading lists! Each week we'll take a look at books written by diverse authors and books featuring diverse characters!



Ages 0-12: Unlock a new badge by reading books featuring diverse authors and characters!



Ages 0-5: Join us each week as we celebrate a new color! We'll have a coloring or activity sheet available for young readers to enjoy!



Ages 0-5: Unlock a new badge by completing the weekly activity sheet!

Ages 6-12: Join us each week as we celebrate a new color! We have a special themed challenge each week for you to complete! Can you show us your colors?



Ages 6-12: Unlock a new badge by completing the weekly activity!



Ages 13-18: Join us each week for a new Grab & Go Craft! Kits includes instructions & most* of the supplies you'll need (*we don't include basics like scissors and glue). *Available while supplies last.*

Friendship Bracelets Available June 1 Rock Painting Available June 7 Sharpie Tie Dye Totes Available June 14 Campfire Pots Available June 21 Paper Star Jar Available June 28 String Art Available July 5 TikTok Coloring Challenge Available July 12 Hemp Jewelry Making Available July 19 Make Your Own Wall Hanging Available July 26



Unlock a new badge each week by showing us your completed craft kit!



Count the Rainbow (Ages 0-18): Someone unleashed a rainbow full of butterflies in our Youth Services Department! Find them all and unlock a bonus **Rainbow Butterfly Badge**.

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Adult & Seniors Activity Guide



New Videos Wednesdays on Facebook & YouTube June 2—July 28

Adults: Join Ms. Karissa each week for a new craft! Some crafts have kits you can pick-up from the library and do!



Unlock up to 2 badges each week by watching the video and getting the secret code word, and by showing us your craft!



Meets the 1st Thursday at 6:30pm on Zoom July 1 & August 5 Adults: Join us each month as we discuss what we're reading and talk about books we've read. Ask for this month's title at the Adult Services Desk!



New Coloring Sheets available every Monday! June 1—July 31 Adults: Need to unwind? We'll have new coloring pages available for pick-up at the library each week!



Unlock a badge each week by **showing** us your coloring page!

Senior Technology Lending Program: The library has hotspots & tablets available for checkout for Seniors who want to attend our programs - for more information call Ms. Karissa at 708-481-5333 x210



Senior Programs are sponsored by





New Kits available every Monday! June 1—July 31

Adults: Pick-Up a Spice Club Kit each week and learn all about new spices & how to use them with a handy guide prepared by Ms. Jacqueline!



Unlock a badge each week by **showing us a dish you made** with that week's spice!



Wednesday, June 16th at 7:00pm on Zoom

Adults: Five Questions, 5 right answers. Test your superhero knowledge against your family and friends. Meet Ms. Karissa on Zoom and see how much you know!



Meets on Mondays at 1:00pm on Zoom June 14—July 26

Seniors: Join Ms. Karissa in your home for light seated yoga exercise weekly.



Meets on Thursdays at 12:30pm on Zoom June 17—August 26 Seniors: Calling all Seniors! Join us virtually each week for a senior luncheon. Topics may vary and

suggestions are encouraged.

More detailed information about our programs can be found at our website: www.richtonparklibrary.org

Beat the Summer Slide! New Learning Resources



Introducing Story Spoons!

Make story time in your household more interactive with our new Story Spoon Kits! Each kit comes with a storybook, spoons painted with book characters on them, & a story spoon guide!

Thank you to our talented local artists who helped paint the spoons for our kits: Jenni L-R., Paloma C., Cibilla O., & Serenity S.

Kits are available for check out in our Youth Services Department!

New Database: Hobbies & Crafts

Available in Early July! This database gives you access to thousands of hobby & craft how-tos for topics like gardening, photography, quilting, jewelry making, and more!



Learn more about our digital resources on our website under "eLibrary" - our digital library is open 24/7!



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Have you checked out our Education Corner Lately? We've added a lot of new workbooks & teaching resources including **Summer Bridge Activities** & **Daily Summer Activities** for Grades 4 to 8!

Library Updates

Fines Free Summer: We have extended our Fines Free (no late charges for overdue books) through August 31st, 2021

New Website: Our website is getting a make-over! Be on the look out for a fresh new Richton Park Library website late summer/early Fall 2021!

Use It — Don't Lose It: To keep records up-to-date and information secure, our library system is removing inactive cardholders this fall. If you haven't used your library card in a handful of years, please visit us and we'll help you keep your card active!

We're Shaking Things Up: This summer we're moving some of our collections around to better serve the space and make it easier to find what you're looking for. Sorry for any confusion while we rearrange & relabel. If you need help finding anything, our staff are always happy to help!

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Friendly Reminder: All information in this newsletter can also be viewed on our website. Program times, registration information, new releases, book reviews & much more is available! Check it out today: <u>www.richtonparklibrary.org</u>

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Board meetings are held in the Library at 7:30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 6:00pm Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm Closed on Sunday

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

July 5Independence Day (Obs.)Sept 6Labor Day

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The Richton Park Public Library District is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any individual who plans to attend any program at the library and who requires special accommodations, or anyone who has questions regarding accessibility to the library is requested to phone the library at 708-481-5333 at least five working days prior to the scheduled event. Congrats to our New Trustees!

At the May Board Meeting we congratulated freshly elected Trustees Alice Creason & Marcy Jo Chachakis and said goodbye to longtime Trustee Patricia Nalls.





Thank you to all our Board Members for volunteering their time and effort to the Richton Park Public Library District.

Are you interested in becoming a Library Trustee? Learn more about the position & fill out an application on our website.

Fall Back! The Return of Evening Hours



We will be returning to pre-pandemic hours of Monday through Friday 10:00am to 8:00pm beginning in early September. Keep an eye on our website & social channels in August for more details!

Got 15 Minutes? Program Survey

It's been a long time since we've been able to get together and we want to know what you'd like to see the library offer for programs this fall. Please take a few minutes and let us know:



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Survey closes July 31, 2021