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New Learning Collection at Eastern

You requested it, and now we have it! Come check out all the materials in our NEW Learning Collection at Eastern. Located between the Large Print and Playaway collections and across from the Information Desk, this new collection contains helpful materials specially selected for parents and homeschoolers.

Wondering if homeschooling is right for you? We have books to help you learn about various options, including Charlotte Mason, Classical Education, Common Core, Montessori, unschooling, and more!

Some sample titles include:

The Brave Learner by Julie Bogart
Entropy Academy by Alison Bernhoft
The Everything Guide to Homeschooling by Sherri Linsench
Everything You Need to Know About Homeschooling by Lea Ann Garfias
Harvard Business Review Working Parents Series (Managing Your Career, Getting It All Done, and Taking Care of Yourself)
Home Learning Year by Year by Rebecca Rupp
Homeschool: An American History by Milton Gaither
Multiple Choice: Finding the Best Answer for Your Child's Education by Martha Singleton
Music for Homeschoolers by Joanne May
Physical Education for Homeschool, Classroom, and Recreation Settings by John Byl

If you're curious to see all the titles in Davenport Public Library's Learning Collection, do a Browse Search for Call Number "LC." You can place holds and pick them up at any of our branches.
 Brenda Ross, Information Services Librarian

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Hotspots Available for Checkout

For those that are struggling to work from home, stay entertained, educate your children participating in virtual learning, or without Internet in the home; we have you covered! If you would like to have Internet access in your home, the Library has hotspots available for checkout that can be picked up via the drive-up window (Fairmount) or by curbside pick-up (Main & Eastern). Place a hold today online or over the phone!

Brittany Peacock, Community Outreach Supervisor

Book Store News

The Eastern Ave. Bookstore is not taking donations until further notice. The Fairmount Bookstore will continue to take donations once we are allowed to reopen.

Our book sale total for Fairmount and Eastern for January through October was \$11,747. Combined sales from Better World Books and Amazon through September totaled \$5,300. The total funds raised for the library was \$17,047.

Please stay safe and Happy Holidays.

Ann Franke & Carol Wagner, FRIENDS' Volunteers

Library Closings

All three library locations will be closed:

December 24, 25, & 31

January 1, & 18

February 15

Library Personnel Updates

Welcome to Our New Employees

C DeWit - PT Information Services Librarian

Anthony Sax - Substitute Employee

Kayli Puig - PT Sr. Clerk

Joe Crawford - PT Sr. Clerk

Kali Stewart - PT Assistant Caretaker

Jodi Brown - FT Assistant Caretaker

Jennifer Williams, Operations Manager

Did You Know?

Main Renovation

Did you know that the Main Library is about to undergo an extensive renovation beginning in late Winter 2020?





Parent and Child Resource Spotlight

Is your child's homework getting you down and causing stress? Now your child can interact with a live tutor! Available each day from 1:00 - 9:00 p.m. or use the SkillsCenter resources 24/7. You can even submit papers for review. For students K-12 and those in college. Available to Davenport and Scott Community College cardholders for free. Visit <https://www.davenportlibrary.com/research-tools/online-resources> for more information.

Streaming Services Available

Acorn TV



Are you feeling cabin fever and needing an escape? Acorn TV allows you to stream hundreds of British television and film titles. Register for an RBdigital account, then check out a 7-day license to view an unlimited number of shows.

Freegal



Did you know that with your Library Card, you can download 5 free songs a week? Download the Freegal app today! Freegal Music gives you access to millions of songs from over 10,000 labels including the Sony Music catalog. New to Freegal is a music streaming service much like Pandora, but without the ads.

IndieFlix



Enjoy independent movies including shorts, features, documentaries, and TV series from over 80 countries. Register for an RBdigital account, then check out a 7-day license to view an unlimited number of shows.

Qello



Music lovers can watch full-length performances, concert films, and music documentaries. Register for an RBdigital account, then check out a 7-day license to view an unlimited number of shows.

QC Beats



QC Beats is an online streaming audio collection, including the original music of Quad Cities musicians and artists.

Department Spotlight



Technical Services orders, catalogs, and processes nearly all of the physical items that come into the Library. The team also orders and catalogs all digital items including ebooks, eaudiobooks, and catalogs all incoming Government Documents.

When patrons call the Library, they can expect to speak with a friendly Technical Services staff member before being connected to the party they wish to locate.

If an item has minor damage, Technical Services also mends items and cleans DVDs, CDs, and game discs.

Technical Services is composed of one supervisor who oversees three full-time and four part-time staff members.





Nature Explorer Kits

The Davenport Public Library is pleased to announce that they will be partnering with Nahant Marsh to assemble and distribute Nature Explorer Kits to the children of Davenport. Those interested in participating in this program must log on to <https://davenportlibrary.libcal.com/> to reserve a kit. Kits are limited and will be announced on our social media so please be sure to follow the Davenport Public Library on Facebook and Instagram for the notification. These kits will be distributed weekly December-March.

Baby Storytime

Wednesdays at 10am | Facebook

Join us on Facebook Live for a special Storytime presentation developed for your 0-12-month-old! Introduce your baby to our favorite stories, rhymes, and fingerplays as you settle in and enjoy some fun-filled one-on-one time.

Storytime Live!

Wednesdays at 10am | Facebook

Join the Library's Youth Services Department on Facebook Live every Wednesday at 10:00 am for some storytime fun! We'll read stories, sing songs, share interactive games & fingerplays, and hopefully brighten up your day.

We also love to say "Hi!" to our storytime friends who are watching live, so grownups (or kids if they have their grownup's permission) are invited to drop a name in our Storytime Live comments for a fun shout-out.



Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club

Wednesday, December 2, 16, & 30
at 6:30 | Zoom

Have you ever wanted to change the ending of a book? Thought things might have gone better if the protagonist had chosen a different path? Then this is the club for you! Every week we will read (or finish) a Choose Your Own Adventure book, voting for how the story progresses as we go along.

The adventurers will collect a stamp for each finished book to place in their provided reading passport to adventure. After participating in 9 reading adventures, readers will be able to complete their reading passports and receive a special package from the publishers of the series.

Since we will be meeting via Zoom, you can bring your own snacks and get as comfy as you'd like! Titles will be pre-chosen. This group is appropriate for children 6-11 years old, registration is required.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

BOOK CLUB

December 2nd, 16th, &
30th at 6:30 pm
on Zoom
Registration Required

bit.ly/dpl-chooseyourownadventuredecember



Jólabókaflóð for Kids

Friday, December 11th All Day | All Locations

This is the year for a new holiday tradition! Jólabókaflóð is the Icelandic Christmas Eve tradition of gifting your favorite people with a favorite book to read that very night!

Jólabókaflóð or Jolabokoflod (pronounced Yo-la-bok-a-flot) means "Yule Book Flood." The tradition began during World War II when foreign imports were restricted, but paper was cheap. Iceland's population was not large enough to support a year-round publishing industry, so book publishers flooded the market with new titles in the final weeks of the year. The result was this tradition! You'll find most Icelanders snuggled up with a cup of something warm, reading a book on Christmas Eve.

Here at the library, our patrons are our favorite people and we would love to gift you with a favorite book this holiday season! Register by December 11 for a wrapped present to be picked up at the library of your choice between December 18 - 23.

This program is for patrons 0-10 years old.



Winter Reading Program

Stay tuned for our Winter Reading Program by downloading the Beanstack app at davenportlibrary.beanstack.com and following us on social media!

Teen Writing Club

Friday, December 4 at 4:00 | Zoom

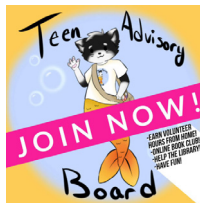
The Library invites teens (ages 11-19) who are writers or interested in writing to join a new Teen Writing Club! The club will meet online via Zoom once a month to discuss their current writing projects, learn about particular writing styles and forms, and pick the brains of guest speakers. Teens will also have the option to participate in short weekly writing prompts via text or email. Registration required.



Teen DIY To Go: Letter Writing

Monday, December 7, All Day | All Locations

December 7 is National Letter Writing Day! Celebrate with the Library by registering for a Teen DIY To Go: Letter Writing Activities kit and send out some cheer and fun to friends, family and those you admire. This kit includes materials to make multiple different types of stationary and envelopes, 2 first class stamps, and ideas & activities on how to enjoy the art of letter writing. Teen DIY To Go kits are for teens only (ages 11-19) and registration is required.



Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30 | Zoom

All teens (ages 11-19) are invited to join the Library's Teen Advisory Board for our meeting on Zoom! TAB Members participate in online teen programming, volunteer-from-home activities and give their opinions on how to make the Library awesome by attending virtual meetings and filling out online surveys. Contact Amber Carlson, Youth Services & Programming Librarian, if you are interested in joining the Teen Advisory Board and she will message you the Zoom details.

Teen Online Book Club

Thursday, December 17 at 4:00 | Zoom

All teens (ages 11-19) are invited to join the Library's Teen Online Book Club! We are currently meeting using Zoom, but teens can also participate on their own without attending the Zoom sessions. Once you register for the book club, you will receive email updates from Miss Amber, monthly Zoom meeting details, and optional text message reminders. Teen Online Book Club is currently reading "Nimona" by Noelle Stevenson. Please join in anytime!

Jólabókaflóð for Teens

Friday, December 11, All Day | All Locations



Jólabókaflóð or Jolabokoflod (pronounced Yo-la-bok-a-flot) means "Yule

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This program is for patrons 11-19 years old.



Jólabókaflóð for Adults

Friday, December 11, All Day | All Locations

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Black Hawk’s Final Resting Place

Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30 | Zoom

The Sauk war leader known to the American settlers as Black Hawk, fought and lost a war in 1832 as he tried to retake his homeland. His grave was robbed in 1839. The history books say his remains were destroyed in a museum fire in 1853 at Burlington, Iowa. The history books are wrong. Find out what happened to the great warrior’s remains. Please register for this event so you can receive the login information for Zoom.

Grocery Games

Thursday, December 10 at 6:00 | Zoom

Comparison shop via Zoom against your fellow Quad-Citizens and take home food prizes. Bragging rights and a highly coveted trophy are at stake for the best penny-pinching price-matcher in the Quad Cities.

Make sure you have a Sharpie marker and notebook to display your price guesses when time expires. A calculator wouldn’t hurt either...



Planning for Retirement

Saturday, December 12 at 10:00 | Zoom

The only thing certain about the 2020 General Election outcome is different long-term financial scenarios. Join advisors from Thrivent Financial via Zoom for their analysis.

Discover and Prepare for Flexible Careers with Google Tools

Wednesday, December 16 at 6:30 | Go to Meeting

Discover new job opportunities using Google Search, and learn how to organize and enhance your job search experience using G Suite tools. This program is meant to assist transitioning service members, military spouses, and veterans as they build civilian careers and businesses, but certain parts may apply to civilians as well.



Understanding Alzheimer’s and Dementia

Wednesday, December 16 at 1:00 | Zoom

Learn about the impact of Alzheimer’s, the difference between Alzheimer’s and dementia, Alzheimer’s disease stages and risk factors, current research and treatments available to address some symptoms, and Alzheimer’s Association resources. We will meet on Zoom. Please register for the login information.

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We Want Your Story

QC Life in the New Normal

December

Submit writing pieces, documents, and photos about life in the Quad Cities during the COVID-19 era. We are collecting individual or group reflections about how life has changed since the pandemic began.



For this project, we would like to collect essays, short stories, diary entries, poems, or other creative writing pieces as well as photographs and other visual art. This collection will help us to capture this period of history through the words of the people by preserving real-time reflections about life in the Quad Cities during the COVID-19 era.

Three different ways to submit:

Google form: <https://forms.gle/MmVSx9SvpstsWFmF9>

Email: kkuntz@davenportlibrary.com

By Mail:

Attn: Special Collections

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