

## CONNECTING FOR KIDS APRIL/MAY 2026 PROGRAMS



### Resources, support & community

Connecting for Kids (CFK) provides resources, support and community to families in Northeast Ohio who have concerns about their child. We serve all families, including those children with and without diagnoses.

#### April/May Programs

Learn more about our free programs:

[Speaker Series](#)  
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#### Concerned? Ask Us!

Ask Us is a free 30-minute call with another parent who gets what it's like to be concerned about a child. Our Family Resource Specialists will also give you tailored resources for your family.

[connectingforkids.org/AskUs](https://connectingforkids.org/AskUs)

## SPEAKER SERIES

### Understanding Your Child's Unique Voice (ages 0-12)

Join Anne Fleming Anderson, MA, CCC-SLP, Senior Clinical Speech Pathologist with the Cleveland Clinic, who will introduce key ideas from Gestalt language processing, explore how to reframe traditional views of speech and pragmatic language and offer practical tools for supporting communication in a way that is respectful, responsive and empowering.

📍 [Lakewood Public Library, Main Library](#)  
Wednesday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.

## SHARE & SUPPORT GROUPS

### Caregiver Support Group: Self Care (ages 0-12)

Share & Support is a peer support group where caregivers can meet families on a similar journey. Join CFK staff for virtual, monthly themed sessions where we'll share our "roses" (joys), "thorns" (struggles) and "buds" (hopes) to foster connection and support.

**Virtual**  
Monday, April 27, 7:00 p.m.

## MUSIC THERAPY & MORE

### Music Therapy & More (ages 0-6)

- For families with a concern about their child, ages 0-6
- Led by a Board Certified Music Therapist
- Learn to use music to improve academic, motor skills, communication and behavior

#### 📍 Lakewood Public Library, Madison Branch

Sessions begin at 9:30 a.m.

- Saturday, May 9

#### 📍 North Ridgeville Branch of Lorain Public Library System

Session begins at 6:30 p.m.

- Thursday, April 23

#### 📍 Parma-Snow Branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library

Session begins at 6:30 p.m.

- Monday, May 11

#### 📍 Maple Heights Branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library

Sessions begin at 10:00 a.m.

- Saturday, April 25
- Saturday, May 30

#### 📍 Oberlin Public Library

Sessions begin at 6:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, April 15
- Wednesday, May 13

### Reminder

Music Therapy & More sessions open on a month-by-month basis. Registration for next month's session will not open until the current month session is over.

## PLAYGROUPS

### Adapted Playgroups (ages 18 months - 6 years)

- For families with concerns about their child's development
- Led by an Early Childhood Specialist
- Your child will practice play and social skills while you get tips

#### 📍 Lakewood Public Library, Main Library

Session begins at 9:30 a.m.

- Saturday, April 18

#### 📍 Westlake Porter Public Library

Thursday session begins at 6:30 p.m. and Friday session begins at 10:30 a.m.

- Thursday, April 16
- Friday, April 17

### Reminder

Adapted playgroup sessions open on a month-by-month basis. Registration for next month's session will not open until the current month session is over.

## ADAPTED LIBRARY PROGRAMS

### Storytimes

#### 📍 Heights Libraries, Noble Neighborhood Branch

- Saturday, May 2, 10:30 a.m.

#### 📍 Middleburg Heights Branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library

- Saturday, April 25, 11:00 a.m.
- Saturday, May 16, 11:00 a.m.

#### 📍 North Ridgeville Branch of Lorain Public Library System

- Tuesday, April 14, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 p.m.

### Adapted Programming

#### 📍 Heights Libraries, Coventry Village Branch

ASL Storytime with Liliana Pokorny

- Saturday, April 25, 11:00 a.m.
- Saturday, May 23, 11:00 a.m.

Express-a-Story

- Saturday, May 2, 10:30 a.m.

#### 📍 Westlake Porter Public Library

Adapted Weekend Fun

- Saturday, April 25, 11:00 a.m.

📍 *Parma-Snow Branch of Cuyahoga County  
Public Library*

- Tuesday, April 14, 11:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, May 12, 11:00 a.m.

📍 *Rocky River Public Library*

- Saturday, May 2, 11:00 a.m.

**To register for any Connecting for Kids program, visit: [connectingforkids.org/register](https://connectingforkids.org/register)**

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