

Press Release: October 2026 Yorkville Public Library Youth Services Department

The Yorkville Public Library is open Monday – Thursday 9:00am- 7:00pm, Friday 9:00am- 5:00pm, and Saturday 9:00am- 4:00pm. Curbside service is available for those not wishing to enter the library.

Escape Room Adventure

This month's family fun Escape Adventure is ready! Use the clues to unlock the boxes before the next group comes in, you only have 30 minutes. Contact the Youth Service Department for an appointment time at 630-553-4354 ext 108 or stop in.

3D Printing (virtual)

Leah English provides a step-by-step tutorial on how to use Tinkercad. Tinkercad is an easy-to-use 3D CAD design tool, where you can create an object that we can print on our 3D printer. Check out the library's YouTube channel, follow the steps to create your own 3D printed piece. 3D Prints are \$.20/gram

Please use this email address to submit creations: YPL3DPrint@gmail.com

DROP IN STORY TIME (at YPL)**Every Friday at 10:30**

Join us at YPL every Friday at 10:30 for Drop In Story Time. This story time is held in the Children's area of the library. A volunteer from The Friends of the Library is our special reader.

Spanish Storytime**Thursday, October 1 at 5:30**

The first Thursday of each month we will have a student from the YHS National Spanish Honor Society read books in Spanish to the group. Please join us for this special program.

Farmacy Farmstand Story Time**Saturday, October 3 at 10:30**

Join us at the Farmacy Farmstand for our annual fall story time. Ms Jennette will share some favorite stories with the group, followed by play time and the chance to purchase PUMPKINS!

Window Art**October 5-10**

Help the library decorate this month by adding your artwork to the windows.

Bring your creativity, we will provide all materials to create your art.

This program is set up for participants to come into the library anytime during open hours, October 5-10 to complete their window artwork. Please register each participant separately.

Lego Meet up**Tuesday, October 5 at 12:30 or 5:00**

Join us for LEGOs. We will supply the LEGOs, you supply the creativity.

Homeschool Meet-up**Tuesday, October 6 and 27 at 10:00**

Fox River Co-op's Homeschool Meet-Up and Yorkville Public Library presents "Homeschool Meet - Up" Join us twice a month, as we explore various topics.

Mommy and Me Yoga**Tuesday, October 6 and 20 at 10:30**

Bond with your little one while exploring yoga, based on your favorite children's books. This class includes simple breathing work, playful yoga poses, songs, games, and story time. Participants will use their imagination while increasing strength, flexibility, and balance. Yoga mats are provided but you are welcome to bring your own yoga mat. Please register each child separately.

Preschool Zone**Wednesday, October 7 at 10:30 or 1:30**

Join us for interactive and engaging books plus activities for you and your child.

Career and College Planning for High School Students and Families (webinar)**Thursday, October 8 at 6:00pm**

Career and college planning are key to helping students choose the right path, avoid unnecessary debt, and graduate on time. This session will guide parents and students through the steps to identify a career direction, select a best-fit college

and major, and make the most of high school years - setting the stage for a purposeful college experience and a successful future.

LEGO Kits

October 12-17

Come by the library during open hours this week. We will provide containers of various LEGOs to use in the library. Using the bricks provided and your creativity, make your build. Your creation will be added to the LEGO display at the library. No registration needed.

Halloween Crafternoon

Monday, October 12 at 2:00

Ages 7-12

Day off school, head to the library for a special Halloween craft. Register soon, space is limited.

Pokémon Club

Tuesday, October 13 at 11:45

Ms. Jessica S. will teach us the value of the cards, how to make good trades, and how to use the cards to play Pokémon. She is also providing cards for those who do not have any. Join us for the fun!

Book Club (Grades 3-5)

Tuesday, October 13 and 27 at 4:30

In this two session book club, the participants will receive the book on the first day to read at home. Then it will be discussed at the following session. Please register for both days on the YPL website.

Tots and Toddlers

Wednesday, October 14 at 10:30

Join us for songs, stories, and dancing. Your child will receive a take home craft to complete.

Book Club (Grades 1-2)

Wednesday, October 14 and 28 at 4:45

In this two session book club, we will read an easy reader chapter book and discuss it. Please register for both dates on the YPL website.

Teens: Mini Cake Decorating

Wednesday, October 14 at 4:30

Hey Teens! (grades 7 and older)

Mrs. Bethany is back to demonstrate how to decorate mini cakes for Halloween.

Family Friendly Halloween Trivia

Thursday, October 15 at 6:00pm

Form a team full of family or friends and compete against your neighbors to answer questions about Halloween movies, TV shows, music, and history. If your team knows the most spooky trivia, you might just win some fun prizes!

Yorkville Biz Boo

Saturday, October 17

Yorkville Annual Business Trick or Treat 10:00-2:00

Author Event: Maggie Edkins Willis

Tuesday, October 20 at 5:15

Join us for a sweet (and slightly spooky) night with Author/Illustrator Maggie Edkins Willis! Bring a cozy blanket to sit on the presentation, and feel free to wear your costume, too! Don't forget Little Ghost decorated in his costume as well.

This free event includes: Story Time, Draw-along, Raffle, Scavenger Hunt, Optional Book Signing

Books available for purchase; \$15.00 cash only

Literacy Centers

October 21-22

Stop by anytime Wednesday- Thursday 9:00am -6:00pm to experience a parent/child guided opportunity for hands-on literacy instruction. Literacy Centers are designed to give children ample opportunity to practice the very important skills of listening, reading, writing, and speaking.

No Carve Pumpkin Contest

Drop off October 21, Voting 22-29

Pumpkin Decorating Contest is back!

Feel free to use paint, glue, paper, etc. to decorate your pumpkin. **Please do not cut into the pumpkin.

Drop off your NO-CARVE pumpkin starting Wednesday, October 21. Voting begins October 22 - October 29. The pumpkin with the most votes wins a prize.

Please pick up your pumpkin on October 30

Toddler Play**Wednesday, October 21 at 10:30**

Caregivers and littles stop by to play at the library and meet new friends. No registration needed.

Teens: Cards for Veterans**Thursday, October 22 at 3:00**

We will provide the supplies, you supply the creativity! Let's create cards for local Veterans. Your cards will be distributed at the Yorkville American Legion.

This activity will count for service hours.

3D Printing**Saturday, October 24 at 9:30**

15-minute appointments are available each month. Ms. Jessica will provide one on one instruction for Tinkercad and how to create a 3D model. The model will be printed on the 3D Printer available to pick up on a future date. Cost: \$0.20 / gram. You are also able to submit your print at YPL3DPrint@gmail.com if it is more convenient.

Read with Paws**Saturday, October 24 at 10:30**

Children can come to the library, select a book, and read to a furry friend. All therapy dogs and handlers have been certified by an accredited organization. This program was designed originally because children feel less pressure to read to a dog than an adult so, it was meant to be a way to help struggling readers or even just encourage reading. It is open to all levels of

readers and non-readers. Please register for your 15 minute time slot on the YPL website. Space is limited. If you are unable to attend, please contact the library.

Junior Threads and More

Monday, October 26 at 1:00

Do you crochet, knit, needlepoint, sew, quilt or like to draw? Come hang out and work on your unfinished projects, show off finished projects, or check out what other people are doing.

Great chance to meet new people!

Tots and Toddlers- Halloween

Thursday, October 29 at 10:30

Put on your Halloween costume and join us for games and trick or treating in the library.