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1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN





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READING EXPLORER

Ask a librarian about our programs and services!

Storytime at the Library

Your family is invited! Come to Miss Esther's Matheson Memorial Library Storytimes in the Story Room in the Kids' section of the library!

Miss Esther offers weekly 1 hr Storvtime sessions with songs, stories and crafts!

Family Storytime (ages 3-5yr)

Tuesdays: 9:30-10:30am & 10:30-11:30am

Lap-sit Storytime (0-3yr)

Thursdays: 10am-11am

*Visit the EASD Parent Connections Webpage for an up-to-date schedule.

EASDparentconnections.weebly.com

Special Library Events (All ages)

Usually held on select Friday mornings. Miss Esther hosts a wide variety of events at the library to get wiggles out and allow warm-family-fuzzies in!

4-Year-Old Kindergarten Events

Throughout the school year, your 4-yearold is invited to celebrate the life of an Elkhorn Preschooler with special events tailored just for them (and the whole family)! Stay tuned to EASD Parent Connections to see up-coming 4K Evening Family events such as art night, swim night and super reader nights!

Connect. Learn. Grow.

Visit Our Website:

EASDparentconnections.weebly.com

On Facebook:

EASD Parent Connections

E-mail Miss Esther:

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Elkhorn Area School District Parent Connections

Welcome to the Matheson Memorial Library Youth Services Department

We serve as a family gathering place focused on educating and enriching the families, children, teens, and caregivers of the Elkhorn community. We value open access, innovation, imagination, and diversity and we are dedicated to meeting the needs of our community.



Ms. Jennifer has been managing the youth services department since 2008 and loves to hear suggestions from her library families! She especially enjoys reading and recommending nonfiction, graphic novels, and funny stories and helping kids explore new skills during hands-on crafting and making opportunities.

Jessica Dowling, Teen Services Associate jdowling@elkhorn.lib.wi.us, 262-723-9149

Ms. Jessica works with our middle schoolers and teens, but you can find her helping out in many areas in youth services. Contact her with questions about junior and teen volunteers and teen programs.

Andrea Rohloff, Youth Services Associate

arohloff@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

Ms. Andrea is a friendly face at the youth services desk and around the community, visiting our preschools and kindergartens with storytimes. She also offers storytimes on Wednesday mornings and helps Miss Esther with family programming.

Follow the library and keep up with all the latest news

https://www.facebook.com/ElkhornLibrary

https://www.pinterest.com/elkhornlibrary/

https://www.instagram.com/mathesonelkhorn/

Sign up for email alerts, calendars, and other resources at **https://tinyurl.com/y6amnbsl** or on the library website at <u>https://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us/wordpress/programs-databases/kids/</u>



Meet the Youth Services Staff

Jennifer Wharton, Youth Services Librarian

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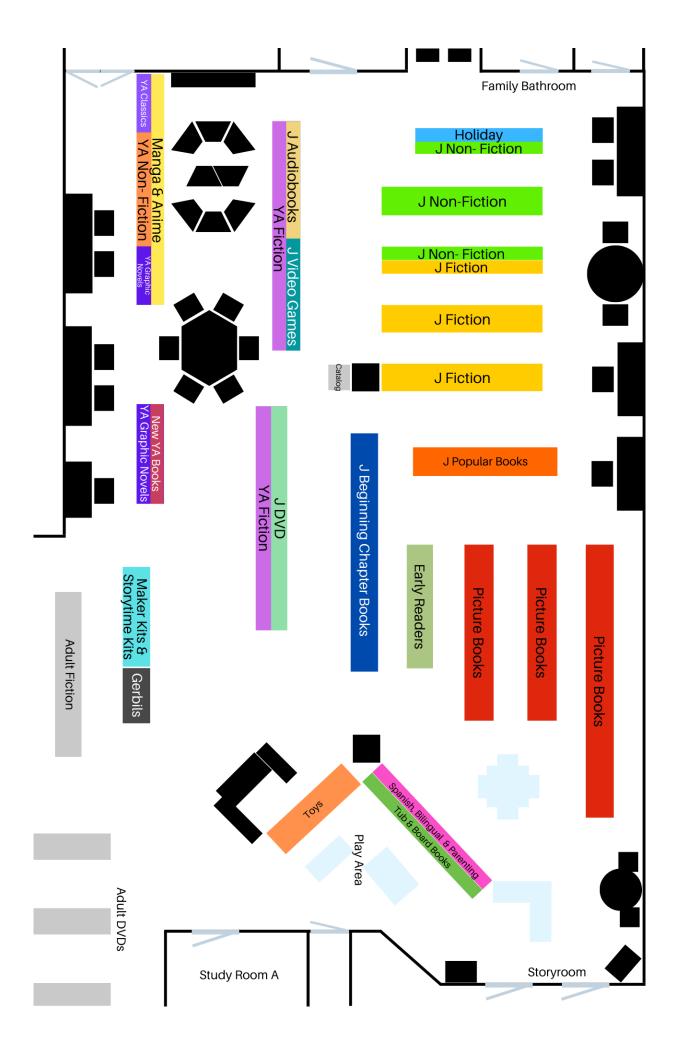






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Welcome to the play area and Storyroom

Play is an important part of every child's development, from infants to school-age children. At the library, we have many opportunities for imaginative, collaborative, and educational play. The play areas are always open when the library is open and include a kitchen, train table, interactive wall panels, and other rotating play stations.

When not in use, a sign will let caregivers know that the Storyroom is open for play. Caregivers are encouraged to take their children into the Storyroom and use the materials in the closet, which can be turned into a puppet theater.

What Can you borrow from youth services?

Books and audio books check out for three weeks:

- Board books, picture books, early readers, magazines/comics, fiction and nonfiction chapter books
- Audiobooks on cd and playaway, as well as music cds
- Audio bags with cds and books

Special materials check out for three weeks:

- Maker kits (include tools and consumables, i.e. fabric, beads, paint, etc.)
- STEAM labs (Magna Tiles, Lego, etc.)
- Storytime kits (for home or classroom use)
- Toy bags for infants, preschool, and school-age with puppets, manipulatives, and early literacy information

Check out for one week

- movies on dvd and Blu-ray and video games
- Limit of 5 video games and 20 movies per card

Fine-Free Children's and Young Adult Materials

Children's and teen materials, owned by the Matheson Memorial Library, do not accrue overdue fines. Borrowers will be billed for materials which are six weeks overdue and patrons will be unable to check out materials until the overdue items have been paid for or returned.

Materials belonging to other libraries may still accrue fines. For more information, check out the website or ask!

Activity Table, STEAM lab, and Family Garden

Check out the activity table for coloring pages, worksheets, and hands-on activities. Ask a staff member about our fine motor skills boxes and board games, available upon request for families and groups, including adults with special needs.

Our STEAM lab materials, including Magna Tiles, Lego, Marble Runs, and more are now circulating materials. Families are welcome to use them in the library, but please make sure all the pieces are collected and returned. Families checking these materials out for home or school use may want to clean and check them before using.

Located on Court Street, the library garden is accessible from the Storyroom or from outdoors. Families are welcome to explore, taste, and touch in the garden. Ask a staff member for information on volunteering to work in the garden, or bring a picnic and hang out! You will also see Storywalks in this area from time to time and, weather permitting, outdoor programs.