

An open book is a window to the world.



Ellwood City Public Library  
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## The Reader's Review

FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU!!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

JOIN US FOR A VISIT WITH SANTA!!

He's coming to the Library on  
December 12th at 6:00 P.M.

Mrs. B will be reading Christmas  
stories and Santa will be listening  
to all the children's wishes. Last  
year, Mrs. Claus came. This year,  
it's the Big Guy himself!



Don't miss it!



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### Hours of Operation

Monday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Tuesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Thursday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Friday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M.	4:00P.M.

*“It just takes a smile to connect with a child,”  
says Rachel.*



In April, Rachel Biermeyer became the youth services coordinator for our Library. On November 18th, the New Castle News featured a wonderful article about her and how she feels about her new job. View the entire article on our website or on the New Castle News website.

“This is the place where I am supposed to be, I always knew I wanted to be a teacher and interact with children and here we sing, we dance, we learn. I am truly enjoying my job and it doesn't feel like work.”

## **CALLING ALL KIDS! IT'S ELF ON THE SHELF DAY!**

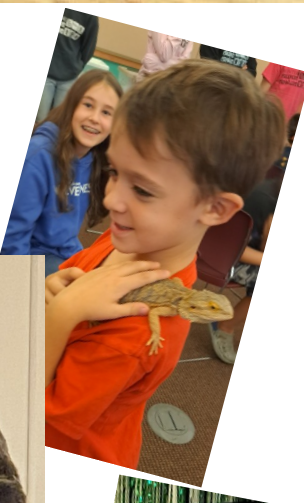
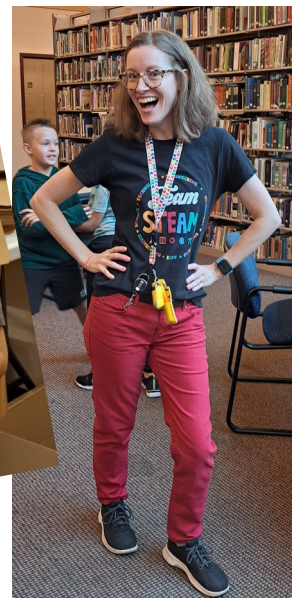
**Come to the Library on Saturday, November 30th for the local annual Scavenger Hunt. Find the Elf and get your hand stamped by one of our staff members.**





# Memories of all the fun in 2024!

The past year was a very busy and exciting time especially in the children's department, and so we wanted to share some of our favorite pictures of those happy memories with you.







# Ellwood City Library's Fall Events Calendar



2024-2025 Children's Programs:  
No Sign Ups Needed! Join us in the Fun!

**Activities from Columbus Day (October) to Memorial Day (May)!**  
**Monday Music & Movement**

Every 1st and 3rd Monday | 10:30am \*Starting Oct. 7th  
(No M&M on Oct. 21 due to Book Sale)

All mobile children are welcome to come dance, wiggle, and sing to wake up on these Monday mornings! On the weeks we don't have M&M, feel free to come and play in the Children's Area with our library friends for more socialization!

**Tween & Teen After School Program**

Every Monday | 3pm-4pm \*Starting Oct. 21st

Join us after school in the back program room to hangout with your friends! Snacks, board games, art activities, Legos, etc. will be provided. Hangout with your friends in a friendly, safe place after school!

**Preschool Storytime**

Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday | 1pm \*Starting Oct. 15

For ages 3-5, join us for stories, music, and more! Stay after storytime for some playtime as well. On the weeks we don't have storytime, feel free to come and play in the Children's Area with our library friends for more socialization!

**Baby Laptime**

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday | 10:30am \*Starting Oct. 22

For newborns to under 3, join us for stories, music, and more! Stay after Baby laptime for some playtime as well. On the weeks we don't have laptime, feel free to come and play in the Children's Area with our library friends for more socialization!

**1st Saturday of the  
Month is Library Day!**

Activities meet monthly  
from Oct. 5 - Apr. 5

**Reading Buddies @ 10am**

Join our certified Therapy Dogs for some calm reading time. Come practice your reading skills with the nicest dogs in town.

**S.T.E.A.M. @ 10:45am**

\*Kindergarteners and Up  
Watch the monthly calendar for our theme each month. Some examples are: Legos, Board Games, Art, Science Experiments, and Special Speakers!

**Bookworms at 12pm**

This monthly book group is for 3rd - 5th graders.  
**PLEASE CALL TO SIGN UP!**  
Each child receives a free book each month they attend.

\*Keep an eye on the calendar posted on Facebook or on our website for any special events.

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# New Book Clubs starting this Fall!

## Bookworms

3rd - 5th Graders

Join Mrs. B in the back program room every month to discuss the monthly book with some snacks and activities. Each child will receive a free book each month they attend!

Meets the 1st Saturday of the month at 12:00

First meeting:  
Oct. 5 at 12:00

\*Call to Sign up!\*

## D.E.A.R.

Drop Everything And Read  
Adult Silent Book Club

Join us in the back program room every month for a new type of book group! We will start with some "hangout time" then enjoy snacks while you read a favorite book of your choice. This is a great group for people who need some downtime to relax and read but still want to talk about their favorite books as well.

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6pm

First meeting:  
Sept. 10 at 6pm



Books give you

**PUMPKIN**

to talk about

## HOLIDAY TAKE & MAKE KITS

Pick up your Holiday Take & Make Kit in our Lobby, and have fun creating your own Christmas magic!

New kits will be available on December 9th and again on December 16th. Stop in during regular business hours and grab one.





# We Have Special Activities for our Adult Patrons!

## Adult Coloring

Fridays

10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

Books, pencils, pens  
available.



## Adult Card Club

Thursdays

10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Bring your friends!



## Knitting for Adults

Fridays

12:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

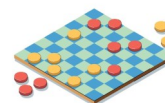
Beginners welcome too!



Come in, sit down  
and build a puzzle.

We have board games  
too!

Or you can bring your  
own dominos to play!



Coffee, tea and water provided by the Library for all activities.  
Ask about bringing your own snacks.

## Tell Your Friends About Our Newsletter

We need your help so that we can reach more readers. If you know someone who would like to receive this newsletter, please forward it to them or ask them to call the Library at (724)758-6458, or stop in and sign-up, sign-up on our website [here](#) or email us at: [ellwoodcitylibrarynewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ellwoodcitylibrarynewsletter@gmail.com).

Thank you.

