

**Library Storytimes** are fun, literacy rich, interactive programs for children of all ages, which strengthen reading skills and foster a lifelong love of reading.

**Baby & Me Socialization (for non-mobile babies)**

Adult caregiver and non-mobile infant class will focus on engaging with your baby and each other through small group discussion, play and music/books. We will work on developing skills like rolling, crawling, sitting and cruising. \*Child care will not be provided for siblings.

**Sensory Play (for birth to preschool)**

Open ended art and sensory exploration along with socialization. Come dressed to get MESSY.

**Toddler Storytime (18 - 36 months)**

These lively programs are designed to advance pre-reading skills including listening and comprehension. Creativity is encouraged with fun and simple art experiences that help develop fine motor skills.

**Preschool Storytime (3 - 5 years)**

Storytimes increase the crucial language skills that help children get ready for school. They also promote listening skills and prepare them for social situations. Fun and engaging activities advance children's motor skills while creative art projects help develop color and shape recognition.

**Rhythm & Movement (for mobile toddlers-5 years)**

Children will explore music, finger plays, and instruments while having the opportunity to create and learn about a variety of instruments.

**Family Storytime (All ages)**

Family storytimes are fun, literacy rich, interactive programs for children of all ages, which strengthen reading skills and foster a lifelong love of reading. Research shows that attending library programs advances vocabulary, listening skills, creativity and other elements of reading readiness.

## What is Early Literacy?

Early literacy is what children know about reading and writing before they can actually read and write. Research shows that children get ready to read years before they start school. You can help the children you bring to the library learn important skills now so they can become good readers.

**Why parents are so important in helping their children get ready to read:**

- You know your children best.
- Children learn best when they are in a good mood, and you know their moods best.
- You can help your children learn reading skills in ways that are easiest for them.
- Children learn best by doing things – and they love doing things with you. Take every chance you have to read with your children, tell and talk about stories, say nursery rhymes and sing songs.

Ask our knowledgeable staff for book suggestions and programs that you can enjoy together.

Please remain with the children you bring to the programs. We encourage and appreciate your participation. Who knows? You may enjoy it as much as the kids do!

You can sign up for storytimes at any of our branch libraries or register online with our event calendar available at:

<http://bit.ly/storytimeatmcls>

MONROE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM  
[mymcls.com](http://mymcls.com)

View our online calendar for all events!

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## Storytimes



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# Winter Storytimes @ MyMCLS

## Bedford Branch Library

8575 Jackman Road, Temperance, MI (734) 847-6747  
(Beginning January 26, 2022)

**Preschool Storytime:** Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10:00 AM

**Preschool Book Club:** Wednesdays & Thursdays at 1:00 PM

**Toddler Storytime:** Fridays at 10:00 & 11:15 AM

Saturdays at 10:00 AM



## Carleton Branch Library

1444 Kent Street, Carleton, MI (734) 654-2180

**Baby & Me Storytime:** Mondays at 10:00 AM

**Preschool Storytime:** Tuesdays at 10:00 AM

**Creative Play:** Tuesdays at 11:00 AM

**Toddler Storytime:** Wednesdays at 10:00 AM



## Dundee Branch Library

144 East Main Street, Dundee, MI (734) 529-3310

**Parent/Child Socialization Play Group (from birth - preschool)**

Session 1:

- Tuesdays, January 11 – February 22 from 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM
- Thursdays, January 13 - February 24 from 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

Session 2:

- Tuesdays & Thursdays March 21 - April 30 from 9:15 PM - 10:15 PM

**Laprot Storytime**

(Children under 24 months)

Thursdays, January 13 – February 25 from 1:00-2:00 PM



## Ellis Library & Information Center

3700 South Custer Road, Monroe, MI (734) 241-5277 or 1-800-462-2050

**Preschool Storytime:**

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00 AM



## Erie Branch Library

2065 Erie Road, Erie MI (734) 848-4420

**Preschool Storytime:** Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

## Frenchtown-Dixie Branch Library

2881 Nadeau Road, Monroe, MI (734) 289-1035

**Toddler and Preschool Storytime:**

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

## Ida Branch Library

3016 Lewis Avenue, Ida, MI (734) 269-2191

(Programs run January 10th - May 13th, with no storytimes the week of February 21st & April 4th)

**Toddler Storytime:** Mondays at 9:00 AM & 10:00 AM

**Preschool Storytime:** Thursdays at 10:00 AM

## Maybee Branch Library

9060 Raisin Street, Monroe, MI (734) 587-3680

(No storytime the week of April 4th)

**Toddler & Preschool Storytime:** Fridays at 10:00 AM

## Newport Branch Library

8120 North Dixie Highway, Newport, MI (734) 586-2117

(Begins the week of January 21st)

**Preschool Storytime:** Fridays at 10:30 AM

## Robert A. Vivian Branch Library

2664 Vivian Road, Monroe, MI (734) 241-1430

**Toddler and Preschool Storytime:**

Fridays at 10:00 AM

## South Rockwood Branch Library

5676 Carleton Rockwood, South Rockwood MI (734) 379-3333

(No storytime the week of February 21st & April 4th)

**Preschool Storytime:** Mondays at 10:30 AM

## Summerfield-Petersburg Branch Library

60 East Center Street, Petersburg, MI

(734) 279-1025

(Programs run January 10th-May 13th, with no storytimes the week of February 20th & April 3rd)

**Preschool Storytime:** Tuesdays at 10:00 AM

## Virtual (Pre-recorded) Storytimes:

Available to enjoy at [Facebook.com/mymcls](https://www.facebook.com/mymcls)

- **Paws & Pages:** Wednesdays at 11:00 AM
- **Reading Road Trip with Ms. Karen:** Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Check out even more online programs at:

<https://mymcls.com/events/online-programs>

Free events for young children and families, provided by the

**MONROE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM**



**SIGN UP FOR STORYTIMES AT:**  
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Please note that programs may be subject to change based on Covid guidelines and developments.

## Weather Reminder:

If schools are CLOSED due to inclement weather, all library youth programs will be canceled for that day. If schools are DELAYED, all programs will take place at their regular times.

Storytimes run January 10, 2022 - April 29, 2022 unless otherwise noted