YOUR HOMEWORK!
FIND OUT MORE ON PAGES 2 & 3
VISIT US ON OUR WEBSITE AT DAYTONMETROLIBRARY.ORG
Dayton Metro Library's Homework Help Centers are ready to, well, help you rock your homework! Our Homework Help Centers provide a staple service for students in grades Kindergarten through 12 to visit a participating Branch and receive help with homework in a variety of school subjects. This includes gaining a bit of extra practice in a subject of their choice.

Homework Help Centers offer free STEAM activities, educational games, and reading coaching for those who don't have homework and/or for those who finish their homework early. Homework Help Centers and printing are available in the Homework Help Centers and printing is free.

Key DML staff that students may see often at a Branch is Daria Dillard Stone, the Parent Engagement Liaison for DML, and Cindy Woodruff, the Homework Help Manager.

Daria works within the Homework Help Centers to equip and engage students with the tools they need to succeed. She encourages parents to champion for their child while executing her passion for making education a priority. Daria began her career at the Trotwood Branch as a Patron Services Assistant but now enjoys her role within the Homework Help Centers to equip and engage students and parents. She encourages parents to champion for their child while executing her passion for making education a priority.

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If a student needs help with their homework and can't make it to one of the current Branches hosting sessions, don't worry! DML has you covered with a variety of free avenues to explore for homework help. Visit DaytonMetroLibrary.org/HomeworkHelp.

The Learn at Home Homework Help Guide is broken down by grade levels with suggested tools and databases you can access with either an eCard or a Library Card, in the comfort of your own home any time of the day. Students will also find access to Brainfuse's HelpNow, another free resource that has access to a plethora of subjects, tutors, writing assistance, and much more – with live tutors available from 2-11 PM seven days a week.

Homework Help Centers will continue to expand as DML continues to increase the number of participating Branch locations. To stay up to date on Homework Help Centers and other related homework services, visit DaytonMetroLibrary.org/HomeworkHelp. Questions about the Homework Help Centers may also be directed to the Library's Ask Me Line at 937.463.2665.

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ALL DML LOCATIONS WILL BE CLOSED: 
THUR, 11/24 for THANKSGIVING DAY
SAT, 12/24 for CHRISTMAS EVE DAY
MON, 12/26 for CHRISTMAS DAY
SAT, 12/31 for NEW YEAR’S EVE DAY
MON, 1/2 for NEW YEAR’S DAY
MAIN LIBRARY CLOSED: SUN, 12/25 and SUN, 1/1

For a complete list of activities, visit our online events calendar at DaytonMetroLibrary.org.
Promoting Childhood Literacy,
One Child at a Time

Love Them Out Loud is a Dayton Metro Library program that many may not be familiar with. For parents and caregivers in the Montgomery County area, Love Them Out Loud promotes early childhood literacy and development for young children.

“By visiting DaytonMetroLibrary.org/Love, parents and caregivers can receive tips on how to talk, read, play, sign, and write... with your young children— all important aspects that boost brain development, improve vocabulary, and build skills that your little one needs for success in school when they get older,” Amber Cristofaro, DML’s Early Literacy Coordinator, said. “The program offers support to help you create a lasting bond, lay the groundwork for your child’s limitless future, and practice back-and-forth communication skills that boost learning and well-being.”

Example of a Talk Tip:
Name the objects around you, describe what you’re doing, and explain what will happen next.

Example of a Play Tip:
Have imaginary tea with your child and invite the teddy bear to join.

Example of a Write Tip:
Guide your baby’s finger and arm to point to pictures in books.

With each section of tips, DML also suggests book titles that parents/caregivers and children can enjoy together, such as My First Words, Goodnight Moon, Animal Friends, Pete the Cat’s Old MacDonald Had a Farm, and Elmo at the Zoo, plus so many more— all available in DML’s Collection.

An added bonus: parents and caregivers can watch a few Love Them Out Loud DML videos on YouTube.

DML also distributes Love Them Out Loud Kits through program partners, when kits are available, to families who might not otherwise be able to obtain such a resource. Patrons interested in seeing if kits are available can check with Preschool Promise, Learn to Earn, WIC offices, or their local health agencies.

The Baby Love Them Out Loud Kit comes with a Library card application, an original board book, and a hands-free flip book that contains rhymes, lap bounces, and parenting tips. The Toddler Love Them Out Loud Kit also comes with an original board book with main characters as toddlers on-the-go. A shaker egg is included, and the box it comes in has songs and rhymes printed on it. The Preschool Power Love Them Out Loud Kit is usually handed out in an educational setting such as a preschool classroom.

The teacher receives a copy of Preschool Power: You’ve Got What It Takes to read aloud with their class and the kit also comes with items for children to take home.

Patrons can also check with their Library to see if Love Them Out Loud children’s story bags for birth to five years of age are available for check out. These kits include a Love Them Out Loud packet, a board book, and a toy. Patrons may also call the Library’s Ask Me Line at 937.463.2665 to check the availability of these story bags.

Even if a patron can’t get a kit, don’t forget that any DML locations offer a variety of in-person storytimes for babies/toddlers and preschoolers, that are designed to help our younger patrons learn literacy, social, and motor skills that can help them later in school. Check DML’s program calendar at DaytonMetroLibrary.org/Programs and search the “storytimes” category, or call the Library’s Ask Me Line at 937.463.2665 and ask about storytimes at your local branch.

Library locations

MAIN LIBRARY
215 E THIRD ST, DAYTON, 45402
BROOKVILLE
17930 EARSEY DR, BROOKVILLE, 45309
BURKHARDT
4704 BURKHARDT AVE, DAYTON, 45411
ELECTRA C. DOREN
701 TROY ST, DAYTON, 45404
HUBER HEIGHTS
6160 CHAMBERSBURG RD, HUBER HEIGHTS, 45424
KETTING-MORaine
3468 EARSEY DR, KETTERING, 45409
MIAMI TOWNSHIP
2716 CANTERBURY DR, MIAMISBURG, 45342
MIAMISBURG
540 E LINDEN AVE, MIAMISBURG, 45342
NEW LEBANON
716 W MAIN ST, NEW LEBANON, 45345
NORTHMONT
350 WINTON RD, ENGLEWOOD, 45322
NORTHWEST
2970 PHASELINE PL, DAYTON, 45406
SOUTHEAST
231 WATERVILLE AV, DAYTON, 45420
TROTWOOD
855 E MAIN ST, TROTWOOD, 45426
VANDALIA
330 N DIXIE DR, VANDALIA, 45377
WEST
300 ABBEY AVE, DAYTON, 45417
WEST CARROLLTON
330 E CENTRAL AVE, WEST CARROLLTON, 45449
WILMINGTON-STROOP
2159 WASHINGTON PL, KETTERING, 45409
OUTREACH SERVICES
937.496.8956

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Suggested book titles:

1. The Cat in the Hat
2. Goodnight Moon
3. Pete the Cat’s Old MacDonald Had a Farm
4. Elmo at the Zoo

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In November 2012, Montgomery County voters passed a $187 million bond issue to fund new construction and renovations for the Dayton Metro Library system. The multi-phase, multi-year project is nearing completion with its second to last project: The new Northmont Branch Library.

Anticipation from staff and patrons grows as the opening date for the new branch nears. The new branch will be located at 700 W. National Road - about a mile down the road from its current location. It is more than 10,000 square feet and will have dedicated spaces for children, teens, and adults, including a quiet reading room - which mean enhanced programming opportunities for patrons. Melissa Gwinn, Northmont’s Branch Manager, elaborates: “We are excited about the opportunity to provide more programming for our community and are planning a variety of activities for all ages, from children’s storytimes to teen hangouts to adult book discussions and tech classes, and much more,” she said.

“Building Connections” is the Children Area’s theme. It connects children to the past and the future – from wagon trains to robots. Children who spend time in this Imagine! area will be able to embrace the dynamic meanings this Branch location conveys. This theme will also be reflected in a unique design of a 16’ x 4’ Lego mosaic built by youth patrons of the Library and a structure built from Tumbleos with additional pieces that children can add to.

During forums, community members expressed pride in the Englewood MetroPark and Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm, and this appreciation for nature was reflected in their selection of a Dragonfly Lamp (designed for Tiffany Studios) by Clara Driscoll as one of the Reimagining Works art inspiration pieces from the Dayton Art Institute’s permanent collection.

The other inspiration piece selected was the modern 1960s painting Nightwood by Kenneth Noland.

FOOD PANTRIES help patrons in need!

With the cost of food having increased in the last year and food shortages running rampart due to the ever-lasting effects of COVID, many patrons around Montgomery County are likely feeling the strain. However, Dayton Metro Library in partnership with The Foodbank hopes that, “Once patrons experience the new building and services, they will understand why the move was made,” he said. “Collaborative meeting spaces, learning stations for children, and homework help are just a few of the additions. We’ll still have the traditional Library collections we’ve had, but we will also have more and better spaces for reading and studying than ever before,” Long adds.

DML hopes that the new Northmont Branch will open after the new year, and the final project of the Libraries for a Smarter Future plan, the new Huber Heights Branch, has a tentative spring 2023 opening date.

The selected Reimagining Works artists are:

- **Gary Hirsche**: Hirsche, a Dayton artist, will create a large-scale acrylic piece that will be located in the Marketplace. Employing is signature hard-edge color field style, the work is titled Ode to Kenneth.

- **Gae Helton**: Helton’s work is titled Dragonflies and Poppies. The Dayton artist will reference the beauty of the Tiffany glass lamp and the beauty of the natural world in this piece that will also be in the Marketplace.

- **Tricia Calvert**: From Dayton, Calvert will create a glass piece that will be composed of small light boxes, which will employ playful color and abstract composition. This work will brighten the Branch’s Quiet Reading Room.

The selected Reimagining Works artists are:

- **Amy Deal**: Deal, another Dayton artist, will bring her bold, expressive style to a nature-inspired diplych panel using a variety of media, which will be in the Community Room.

There’s no denying that some patrons don’t want DML to leave the government center. After all, the Northmont Branch has been attached to it since 1975 (and was expanded in 1997) However, Jason Long, Northmont’s Assistant Branch Manager.

DML is committed to providing access to all of our events. Please contact the Ask Me Line at 937.465.2665 to request accommodations for sign language interpretation, audio amplification, and/or language translation. Additional accommodations may be available upon request. Advance notice is necessary to arrange for any accessibility means.

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Dayton Metro Library’s third annual Career Adventures Day (CAD) took place at the Main Library Thursday, November 3 and Friday, November 4. Approximately 1000 students from area schools are expected to attend.

“Career Adventures Day is an exceptional way for middle school students to connect with future employers and explore the skills and education required for particular careers,” Ann Riegle-Crichton, DML’s Workforce Development Manager stated. “This program is an asset for employers too, because it still provides hundreds of students first-hand knowledge about some of the most interesting, in-demand careers in the Dayton region.”

With that, representatives from numerous Dayton-area businesses and organizations were on site to engage students in the following areas:

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Aerospace
- Construction/Skilled Trades
- Education
- Entrepreneurship
- Healthcare
- Information Technology
- Logistics
- Public Service

Career Adventures Day is designed to support the Ohio Department of Education’s mission to create pathways for successful futures by allowing students the opportunity to explore a variety of careers. The event is an offshoot of DML’s successful, nationally recognized Career Adventures Camp—an immersive, week-long summer day camp that DML has held in the past. While the two-day CAD isn’t as immersive as the week-long camp, it still provides hundreds of students with future employers the opportunity to explore a variety of careers.

A few employers and organizations kids can expect to see include:

- American Trucking Association
- Drone Express
- Kettering Health
- Premier Health
- Technology First
- Dayton Fire Department
- Dayton Police Department
- PSA Airlines

Dayton Metro Library would like to thank the Dayton Metro Library Foundation, the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce and the Strategic Ohio Council for Higher Education (SOCH) for their sponsorship and support.

DML staff heard the call, and many applied for the DML Foundation’s first-ever Quick Grant process in hopes of earning a shot at a grant for their idea. It’s been an exciting process.

“I’m grateful to the Foundation for providing an opportunity for Library staff to take on leadership roles in being able to present and implement innovative ideas,” said Ben Murphy, a member of the Employee Engagement Committee and Collections Development Librarian. DML staff would like to thank the DML Foundation Committee, consisting of several Foundation Directors, with support from Diane Farrell and Megan Cooper, and the DML Employee Engagement Committee, consisting of Rachel Gut, Deputy Executive Director, Jennifer Kadel, Recruitment and Retention Manager, and Ben Murphy, Collection Development Librarian who helped facilitate the funding, application, review, and grant awards.

Reviewing all the staff proposals couldn’t have been an easy job. However, as Ben Murphy explains, “I was impressed by the creative ideas my coworkers came up with. They all put a lot of time and thought into developing their grant proposals.” Projects throughout many DML locations will be taking off in the next six months, so be sure to look for them!

Earlier this year, the Dayton Metro Library Foundation, in partnership with the DML Employee Engagement Committee, put a call out to DML Staff: Bring us your program/project ideas that align with DML’s strategic plan (Learn, Know, Share, Trust, Bridge) and we may offer you grant money to implement your idea.

Staff applications were reviewed, funding was organized, and grant awards were given to the following DML staff members for their ideas:

- Jacqueline Gazda: Legal Aid Clinics at Main and rolling out to Branches
- Dani Gustavich: Step Up to Quality Celebrations at the Trotwood Branch
- Destinee Hamilton, Haylee Hart, and Miriam Adams: Grow Your Own at the West Branch
- Chelsey Hostetler and Peter Kilkelly: Teen Cooking Programs at the Northwest Branch
- Linda Lewis at the New Lebanon Branch and Teresa Curtis Morrow at the Northwest Branch: Library Card Sign-Ups/ Open House
- David Senatore: Bike Lock Lending Program, system wide
- Melissa Sokol: “What’s New” Book Club Videos at the Wilmington Stroop Branch
- Robyn Williamson: Board Game Lending Library at the Brookville Branch

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF ACTIVITIES, VISIT OUR ONLINE EVENTS CALENDAR AT DAYTONMETROLIBRARY.ORG.
Close out 2022 with a variety of fun and engaging seasonal programs at Dayton Metro Library! Here, you’ll just find a sampling of family, kids/youth, and adult programs that will take place at branches across Montgomery County. For a complete list of DML’s programs, visit our events calendar at DaytonMetroLibrary.org/Programs. *Indicates advanced registration is required.

**FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES!**

**BURKHARDT**
- A Winter Walk in the City
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/6 | 3-5 PM
  - During Library Hours
  - (For Pre-K, Grades 1-4)
- Holiday Extravaganza
  - WED, 12/7 | 3-5 PM
  - (For Grades 1-4, Tweens)
- Teen Karaoke Night: New Year’s Edition
  - THUR, 12/29 | 4:30-6 PM

**BROOKVILLE**
- DIY Holiday Ornaments*
  - MON, 12/5 | 1-4 PM
  - (For Tweens)
- Teen DIY: Edible Cookie Dough*
  - WED, 11/30 | 3:30-5:30 PM

**MIAMISBURG**
- DIY Luminary Jars*
  - WED, 11/30 | 4-5:30 PM
  - (For Teens)
- Teen DIY: Create a Gift
  - WED, 12/14 | 4-5:30 PM
  - (For Pre-K/1, Grades 1-4)
- Teen DIY: Melted Snowperson Slime
  - WED, 12/21 | 3-4:30 PM
  - (For Teens)

**WEST CARROLLTON**
- Teen DIY: Design and Gift Giving
  - WED, 11/30 | 3:30-5:30 PM

**HUBER HEIGHTS**
- Teen DIY: Cookie Decorating!
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - MON, 12/5 | 3:30-4:30 PM
- Holiday Lights*
  - THUR, 12/8 | 6:30-7:30 PM
  - (For Grades 1-4, Tweens)
- Drop-in Craft for Kids
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/6 | 3-4 PM
    - SUN, 12/11 | 12-1 PM
    - During Library Hours
  - (For Pre-K to Tweens)

**VANDALIA**
- Guess How Many Holiday Ornaments Are in the Container
  - WED, 12/21 | 4-5:30 PM
  - During Library Hours
  - (For Ages 3-12)

**TROTWOOD**
- Winter Break in the Teen Edge
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - MON, 12/19 | 3-4 PM
    - WED, 12/21 | 3-4 PM
  - During Library Hours
- Teen DIY: Cookie Decorating
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - SUN, 12/11 | 3-4 PM
    - (For Grades 1-4, Tweens)
- Teen DIY: Create a Gift
  - WED, 12/14 | 3-4 PM
  - (For Pre-K/1, Grades 1-4)

**WILMINGTON-STROOP**
- Take & Make Tie-In: Catapulting Gingerbread Men*
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/13 | 3-4 PM
  - During Library Hours
  - (For Teens)
- Teen DIY: Cookie Decorating!
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - MON, 12/5 | 3-4 PM
    - WED, 12/7 | 3-4 PM
    - (For Grades 1-4, Tweens)

**NEW LEBANON**
- Ornament Guessing Jar
  - TUE, 11/22 | 4-5 PM
  - (Theme: Oh, Deer!)
- Wild Outside
  - TUE, 11/29 | 3-4 PM
  - (For Teens)
- Mother Goose on Monday
  - WED, 12/7 | 4-5 PM
  - (For Ages 3-12)
- Gingerbread Houses*
  - TUE, 12/6 | 3-4 PM
  - (For Grades 1-4)

**DIY C. DOREN**
- Teen DIY: Edible Cookie Dough*
  - WED, 11/30 | 3:30-5:30 PM

**ELECTRA C. DOREN**
- TEEN DIY: Melted Snowperson Slime
  - WED, 12/14 | 4-5:30 PM
  - (For Grades 1-4, Teens)

**NORTHWEST**
- Polar Express Party
  - WED, 12/8 | 12-1 PM
  - (For Pre-K/1, Grades 1-4)
- Teen Hangout with Bronch and Books!
  - THUR, 12/15 | 12-1 PM
  - Watch fun book trailers and discuss some great winter break reads.
  - THUR, 12/29 | 12-1 PM

**WILMINGTON-STROOP**
- Snowplow! Story Stroll
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - WED, 11/30 | 4:30-5:30 PM
    - (For Families)
  - (For Teens)
- Teen DIY: Cookie Decorating!
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/6 | 3-4 PM
    - (For Grades 1-4, Tweens)
- Cookie Decorating
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/6 | 6-7 PM
    - (For Teens)
- Teen DIY: Design and Gift Giving
  - WED, 11/30 | 3-4 PM
  - (For Teens)
- Teen DIY: Create a Gift
  - WED, 12/14 | 3-4 PM
  - (For Pre-K/1, Grades 1-4)

**NEW LEBANON**
- New Lebanon Book Club
  - TUE, 12/13 | 6-7 PM
  - The Branches will host an After the Holidays Holiday Party. Enjoy books talk with Branch Manager Carol and light refreshments.
  - THUR, 12/15 | 10-11 AM

**ELECTRA C. DOREN**
- Ornament Guessing Jar
  - THUR, 12/1 - THUR, 12/22
  - During Library Hours

**NEW LEBANON**
- Mother Goose on the Loose Storytime: Holiday Edition
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/6 | 4-5 PM
    - (For Teens)
- Family Storytime: Wild Outside
  - WED, 12/1 | 4-5 PM
  - (For Teens)
  - (For Grades 1-4, Tweens)
- DIY Holiday Ornaments*
  - MON, 12/5 | 1-4 PM
  - (For Teens)
- Teen DIY: Edible Cookie Dough*
  - WED, 11/30 | 3:30-5:30 PM

**MIAMISBURG**
- DIY Hot Cocoa Mix*
  - TUE, 11/29 | 3-5 PM
  - (For Teens)
- Holiday Cookie Family Storytime*
  - MON, 12/5 | 6:30-7:30 PM

**NEW LEBANON**
- Ornament Guessing Jar
  - THUR, 12/1 - THUR, 12/22
  - During Library Hours

**BURKHARDT**
- Gingerbread Decorating
  - THUR, 12/15 | 3:30-5:30 PM

**MAIN LIBRARY**
- The Dayton Ballet Presents: Nutcracker Storytime*
  - Eichberger Forum
    - TUE, 11/29 | 5-6 PM and 6-7:30 PM
- Holiday Cookie Family Storytime*
  - MON, 12/19 | 12-1 PM
- Happy Holidays Party
  - SAT, 12/10 | 12-1 PM

**TROTWOOD**
- Stories and Santa
  - TUE, 12/6 | 1:30 PM
  - (For Teens)
- Cultural Crafts: Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa*
  - SAT, 12/10 | 2 PM

**VANDALIA**
- "Ten Ways to Help Save Snow"
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - MON, 12/5 | 12-1 PM
    - During Library Hours

**WEST CARROLLTON**
- Gingerbread House Decorating Contest
  - MAIN LIBRARY
    - TUE, 12/20 | 12-1 PM
    - (For Teens)
- Gingerbread Houses*
  - TUE, 12/20 | 12-1 PM
  - (For Grades 5-12)

**FOR ADULTS**

**BROOKVILLE**
- Cookie Swap*
  - SAT, 12/3 | 3:30-4:30 PM
- Victorian Christmas Traditions
  - WED, 12/7 | 7-8 PM
  - (For Teens)

**KETTERING-MORAINE**
- Tile Art*
  - MON, 12/5 | 2-3 PM

**MIAMI TOWNSHIP**
- Learn to Make Printable Holiday Cards
  - SUNDAY, 12/10 | 12-1 PM

**WEST CARROLLTON**
- Pine Cone Owl Craft/ Ornament
  - SAT, 12/10 | 10-11 AM

**SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ADULTS**

Dayton Contemporary Dance Company’s The Spirit of Grace*
- @ The Dayton Convention Center
  - SAT, 12/10 | 7:30 PM and SUN, 12/11 | 4-6 PM
  - Register via DML’s events calendar for a chance to secure one of 20 free seats to this performance.

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