

TEEN SUMMER BREAK

with Ramsey County Library


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2023 Summer Reading Program
June 1 - August 5



TEEN SUMMER BREAK KICKOFF

Saturday, June 10, 1-3 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Saturday, June 17, 1-3 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Happy Summer Reading! Come celebrate the start of Teen Summer Break with us! Learn about the Teen Summer Break program, pick out a free book to kickstart your summer reading, and craft something awesome.



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Sign up

Visit rclreads.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack Tracker app and choose "Teen Summer Break" to participate.

2

Write reviews

Review books and library events.

3

Earn badges and prizes

All badges must be completed by August 5 to earn prizes.

EVENTS

TEEN GSA

Sundays, Noon-2 p.m.
June 4; July 9; August 6
RCL-Shoreview

Join us for a safe, welcoming place to hang out, have fun and talk about issues related to sexual orientation and gender identity and expression.

ANIMONDAYS

Mondays, 1-3 p.m.
June 5-August 7
RCL-Roseville
No AniMonday June 19; July 3, 17.

Join us for a fun hang out space to watch and geek out about your favorite anime.

DE-STRESS FEST

Tuesday, June 6, 4-5 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Study for your final exams and enjoy some study breaks that include snacks, petting a therapy dog and more.


PRIDE CELEBRATION

Sunday, June 11, 1-4 p.m.
RCL-Roseville

Join us for an all-ages event with many different LGBTQIA2S+ Pride activities throughout the day!

INTRODUCTION TO FANTASY WRITING FOR TEENS

Monday, June 12, 3-4:30 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

The boundaries of your fantasy stories are as limitless as your imagination. We will do writing activities that help us understand the mythological, supernatural, and magical of our fantasy stories. Online registration is required. Space is limited. *Presented by The Loft Literary Center.* 

VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m.
June 21-July 26
Zoom Meeting

You give us an hour of your time, we give you a free book to read and a place to meet and talk about it!

COSMIC WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
June 21; July 5, 19; August 2
RCL-Shoreview

Cosmic Wednesdays celebrates all things science fiction. We will watch and discuss different sci-fi/fantasy media, play video and board games, and complete maker projects inspired by our favorite nerdy franchises.

TEEN GSA CHILL PRIDE

Sunday, June 25, Noon-2 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Come help us celebrate Pride in a relaxed environment! We will have a button maker, Pride-themed crafts, snacks, and a therapy dog!



EVENTS



KIDS ON BIKE RPG CLUB

Sundays, 3-4:30 p.m.
July 9-August 6
RCL-Shoreview

Experience the action-packed RPG, Kids on Bikes. You will play as a teen living in a small town with big mysteries. Session one will focus on world-building, and the following weekly sessions will be campaign-based. No role-playing game experience required. Online registration required.

BITTY KITTY BRIGADE

Saturday, July 15, 2-3 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Come join us in this interactive workshop all about how to adopt some cute felines into your family! Join us before or after the program to make blankets to donate to the brigade.

The Bitty Kitty Brigade is a local non-profit specializing in fostering and raising neonate kittens to adoption age of 12 weeks, helping them socialize and find their forever homes. Kittens will be on site, but not available for adoption yet, and able to be petted with a signed waiver. Online registration required.

RAMSEY COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION

Teen GSA Pride Picnic

Monday, June 12, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Snail Lake Regional Park Upper Pavilion

Join us for a delicious picnic and fun games like giant Jenga as we celebrate Pride Month.

Books & Bikes

Saturday, July 8, 1-3 p.m.
RCL-Shoreview

Looking for an opportunity to spend some time on a bike? Borrow a bike to explore Shoreview and its local trails. A variety of styles and sizes for youth and adults will be available to borrow on a first come, first served basis.

Teen Book Club Picnic

Wednesday, August 2, 2-3 p.m.
Snail Lake Regional Park Upper Pavilion

Bring one of your favorite books that you've read this summer to share while we have a picnic. Space is limited. Online registration is required.



MAKERSPACE



MAKERTEEN

RCL-Roseville

Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m.

June 13-August 1

No MakerTeen June 27; July 4, 25

RCL-Shoreview

Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m.


June 13-August 1

No MakerTeen July 4, 25.

MakerTeen is all about being creative, making new things, and using high-tech and low-tech tools to change your world. Join us for weekly hangouts where we will chat, make together and share creations.



SPECIAL MAKERTEEN: ERIN HOLT

Join Erin Holt for a Maker series. Presented by Erin Holt, LLC. Online registration required. 

Abstract Painting with Acrylic

Tuesday, June 13, 1-3 p.m.

RCL-Shoreview

Learn new ways to express your creative thoughts through abstract or non-objective ways. Skill lessons will focus on the use of color, composition, space and texture.

Making a Cozy Clay Coacoa Mug

Wednesday, June 14, 1-3 p.m.

RCL-Roseville

Get ready to get extra cozy when you curl up with your very own, one-of-a-kind coacoa mug. Learn how to handbuild a mug, guided through the steps of construction to produce something unique and all your own. You will then embellish with colorful underglazes. Finished pieces will be fully glazed and food safe.

Sew Your Own Sketchbook

Wednesday, June 21, 1-3 p.m.

RCL-Roseville

Prepare to get hooked on bookbinding when you learn two simple, stunning techniques for sewing your very own sketchbooks. Learn about the basic vocabulary, skills, tools and materials involved in bookbinding. Then, create your own blank sketchbooks perfect for drawing or giving away as gifts.

Virtual programs and in-person events are subject to changes and cancellation. For the most up-to-date information or to register for an event, visit rclreads.org. Contact a Teen Librarian: 651-724-6137 | rclteens@ramseycounty.us.



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MAKERSPACE



SPECIAL MAKERTEEN: POLYMER CLAY CREATIVITY STUDIO

Tuesday, June 20, 1-3 p.m.

RCL-Shoreview

Come learn techniques for layering and slicing polymer clay with our Guest Maker: Silly Millies! Participants will be able to choose an object, such as a picture frame, to design with the clay. Take the creation home and bake it in your oven to finish it. Registration is required. Space is limited. 🎵🎶

D&D FIGURINE

Join us for a 2-part event of designing with HeroForge and learning to paint your own D&D miniature.

Design Session

Wednesday, July 12, 1-2 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

Painting Session

Wednesday, July 19, 1-4 p.m.

RCL-Roseville

TEEN TECH CAMP

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
1-5 p.m.

RCL-Roseville

June 27, 28, 29

RCL-Shoreview

July 25, 26, 27


Join other teens in the community! This three-day camp brings you hands-on experience with technology.

Topics will include:

Roseville: writing screenplays, using cameras and editing videos.

Shoreview: crafting, 3D printing, and tie dying tote bags, presented by Erin Holt, LLC. 🎵🎶

Plan to attend all three days. Registration is required; space is limited to 15 participants.

 All teen events are funded with money from Ramsey County Library Friends, unless otherwise noted.

Teen virtual programs and in-person events are appropriate for all teens going into grade 6 to teens who have graduated from grade 12.



GAMING



VIRTUAL DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Sundays, 10 a.m.-Noon

June 18-August 6

Zoom Meeting

No D&D July 2.

Come and adventure with us! No experience needed.

VIRTUAL GAMING THURSDAYS

Thursdays, 5-7 p.m.

June 1-August 10

Zoom Meeting

No Gaming June 8, 29.

Join us on Zoom for a variety of fun board and video games.

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR TEENS

The library has many online resources for teens such as homework help, article databases and skills camp. Visit the Library's website at rclreads.org/teens and log in with your library card.

Explora Teens

Find articles from magazines, newspapers and reference books about current events, people, places, animals, history and more.

Kanopy

Use your library card to stream movies on your computer, device or app-enabled t.v.

Libby

A fresh and easy way to borrow and read from your library. Access ebooks, eaudiobooks, graphic novels and manga!



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HOW DOES IT WORK?

Sign up for Teen Summer Break on Beanstack at rcreads.beanstack.org or scan the QR code to download the Beanstack Tracker app on your device and choose the "Teen Summer Break" program to participate.



Then stop by a library location near you to get a bookmark and book, while supplies last.

Teens can write reviews of the books they read or library programs and events (virtual and in-person) they visit this summer. The more reviews you write, the more chances you get to win!

There will be weekly drawings for prizes, and at the end of the summer, there will be a drawing for even bigger prizes!

Teen prizes include \$10 gift cards to Target, Barnes & Noble, iTunes, Google Play, Minecraft and Roblox, while supplies last. Prizes will be mailed out to winners.

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