

Youth Services Programming

JANUARY

2026

**#These Programs
Require Registration**

To register, please arrive 15 minutes before the program starts and sign in at the Children's Room desk.



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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
CLOSED	9:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.	9:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.
				1 Library Closed	2	3 Family Board Game Saturday
4	5 #Teen Volunteer Hours 4-6:00 p.m.	6 Preschool Storytime 10:30 a.m. #Wax Paper Lanterns 4:00 p.m. Snack! 4-5:00 p.m.	7	8 Snack! 4-5:00 p.m. #Cloud Dough 5:00 p.m.	9	10 Family Board Game Saturday
11	12	13 Preschool Storytime 10:30 a.m. Snack! 4-5:00 p.m. #Bag Charms 5:00 p.m.	14	15 Wiggle Worms Storytime 10:30 a.m. Word Art Posters 4-5:00 p.m. Snack! 4-5:00 p.m.	16	17 Family Board Game Saturday
18	19 Library Closed	20 Preschool Storytime 10:30 a.m. Snack! 4-5:00 p.m. #Frosty the Doughman 6:00 p.m.	21 Winter Bingo 6-7:00 p.m.	22 Wiggle Worms Storytime 10:30 a.m. Snack! 4-5:00 p.m. #Teen Volunteer Hours 4-6:00 p.m. #Awkward Art 5:00 p.m.	23	24 Family Board Game Saturday
25	26 Teen Takeover 5-6:00 p.m.	27 Preschool Storytime 10:30 a.m. Snack! 4-5:00 p.m. Real People, Real Stories 4-5:00 p.m.	28 Creative Crafts with COMHPS 4-5:00 p.m.	29 Snack! 4-5:00 p.m.	30	31 Family Board Game Saturday



JAN 6
TUES
4:00 PM

WAX PAPER LANTERNS
For ages 10-17.
Light up winter nights with a lantern made of wax paper, pressed flowers, and a tea light.

#12 spots available. Registration required.

JAN 8
THURS
5:00 PM

CLOUD DOUGH
For ages 5-12.
Make your own squishy play-dough to play with!

#12 spots available. Registration required.

JAN 15
THURS
4-5:00 PM

WORD ART POSTERS
For ages 8-12.
Make a colorful and creative word art poster to hang on your wall!

#10 spots available. Registration required.

JAN 20
TUES
6:00PM

FROSTY THE DOUGHMAN
For ages 5-12.
Make a melt-proof snowman from air dry clay, and dress him up in lots of fun accessories!

#12 spots available. Registration required.

JAN 21
WED
6-7:00 PM

WINTER BINGO
Ages 8-16.
Kick off the new year with winter-themed bingo to win a variety of prizes.

Library Closed
Thurs, Jan 8
Mon, Jan 19

SNACK!
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS - 4-5:00 P.M.
Stop by the Children's Room for a healthy snack while you unwind from your day. Available while supplies last.
For ages 5-15.

FAMILY BOARD GAME SATURDAY
SATURDAYS - ALL DAY
Drop in to play classic games like checkers, chess, Scrabble, and Sorry!
All Ages.

CREATION STATION
ALL MONTH LONG
Color a premade design or draw your own picture to make a puzzle!

CREATIVE CRAFTS WITH COMHPS
WEDNESDAY, JAN 28 4:00 P.M.
Join COMHPS (COMMUNITY Health Promotion and Support) for some fun crafts to support mental health.
All Ages.

TEEN VOLUNTEER HOURS
MONDAY, JAN 5 - 4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY, JAN 22 - 4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Need community service hours? Sign up for our teen volunteer hours! Help the staff prep for programs, organize books, and other tasks in youth services.
Please register online to guarantee a spot.
Ages 13-17

The YA Chapter

JAN 13
TUES
5:00 PM

HOMEMADE PHONE/ BAG CHARMS
For ages 13-17.
Make your own stylish phone or bag charm to express yourself!

#12 spots available. Registration required.

JAN 22
THURS
5:00 PM

AWKWARD ART
For ages 12-17.
Recreate famous artwork as best you can on your own canvas! No art experience necessary.

#10 spots available. Registration required.

JAN 26
MON
5-6:00 PM

TEEN TAKEOVER
For ages 13-17
Take over the library basement for an hour of snacks, crafts, and games.
Featuring Word Art Posters.

Storytime

TUES 10:30 AM

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME
For ages 2-6
Visit us on Tuesday mornings for stories, songs, fingerplays and crafts.

#25 spots available. Please register.

JAN 15 & 22
THURS 10:30 AM

WIGGLE WORMS STORYTIME
For ages 5 and under.
Enjoy stories and songs to get you moving. We will be joined by special instruction teachers to help us wiggle!
This storytime is brought to us by the Oneida County Special Children's Services.

JAN 27
TUES 4:00 PM

REAL PEOPLE, REAL STORIES
For ages 4-8.
Learn more about the life and the art of Wilson "Snowflake" Bentley, take a closer look at his snowflake photographs, and create your own dazzling snowflake creations!