



News & Notes

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Adult Program Registration

Registration begins Monday, March 2. Non-residents may register Monday, March 9.

All fees are non-refundable.

Please let us know in advance if you will need an accommodation that will make an event accessible to you.

In honor of National Library Week
Stop in for our special raffles.

Check out materials and receive a raffle ticket. *Limit one ticket per day.*

April 6: Guess the candies in the Jar to try and win them.

April 13: For a chance at our raffle baskets.

April 20: Enter to win four tickets to the LI Aquarium.

North Babylon cardholders only.



The Day Trippers: a Beatles Tribute Band
Sunday, March 29

2:00 - 3:30 PM

If you love the Beatles, then don't miss this live

concert from *The Day Trippers*, a Long Island

Beatles cover band. This group will entertain you with an afternoon of iconic rock and pop songs!



Neighborhood Forest:

Tree Giveaway

For students under 18

Register online until March 15

The North Babylon Library is partnering with Neighborhood Forest to provide free trees for kids to plant during Earth Week. Parents/guardians, sign your child up for a free tree by March 15th! Trees are set to arrive in time for Earth Day 2026.



Slice of Cake Painting

Thursday, April 30

6:00-7:30 PM

Each patron receives a square slice of cake with a paint pallet of icing. Learn how to paint flowers and designs will be given and then create your own edible masterpiece. *North Babylon cardholders only.*

Computer classes return!

Computer Kindergarten for Adults

Tuesday, March 24

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Using Windows computers, this unique class covers the basics. Learn turning the computer on, the desktop, using the mouse, opening and closing programs and more.



Introduction to iPhone/iPad

Thursday, April 23

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

In this class, you will get a hands-on tutorial on your device, learn how to get online, understand important device settings, learn about the latest iOS system and discover many tips and tricks. Bring your iPad or iPhone or just come and listen.

Arbor Day Giveaway

Patrons are invited to receive a free sand cherry shrub seedling. White, five-petaled flowers on lower half of shoots, followed by dark red fruit. The bark on trailing branches is typically reddish to dark brown.

Our tentative date for pickup is Wednesday, April 22.

North Babylon Adult cardholders only

Seed Library

April 1-June 30

The North Babylon Library will provide free seeds to plant and grow at home. We offer more than 60 different types of seeds covering vegetables, flowers, herbs and leafy greens. Adult and teen North Babylon Library card holders can receive up to 5 seed packs.

Simply fill out an order form at our Reference desk.

North Babylon Adult and Teen cardholders only.

LIBRARY BUDGET INFORMATION

North Babylon Public Library					
Proposed Budget					
		2025-2026	2026-2027	\$ Change	% Change
		Approved	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed
EXPENSES					
<i>Supplies and Materials</i>					
	Books, E-books, DVD, CD	224,000	208,000	-16,000	-7.1
	Periodicals	14,500	13,000	1,500	-10.3
	Software, Online Services	39,400	52,000	12,600	32.0
	General Supplies	46,000	46,000	0	0.0
	Circulation Control	20,000	21,000	1,000	5.0
	Maintenance Supplies	5,000	4,000	-1,000	-20.0
	Library Programs	63,000	75,000	12,000	19.0
<i>Professional and Technical Services</i>					
	Legal, SCLS, Treasurer, Auditor	71,900	74,500	2,600	3.6
<i>Building Operation and Maintenance</i>					
	Telephone, Electric, Gas, Water	75,500	88,000	12,500	16.6
	Building Repair, Building Improvement	30,000	58,500	28,500	95.0
	Snow Removal, Trash Removal	15,300	16,300	1,000	6.5
	Security Service	67,000	70,000	3,000	4.5
	Fire, Liability, Comprehensive	20,200	24,000	3,800	18.8
<i>Library Operations</i>					
	Printing, Publication, Postage	29,500	35,000	5,500	18.6
	Travel, Continuing Education	6,000	6,191	191	3.2
	Membership Dues, Election Expenses	8,500	7,500	-1,000	11.8
	Equipment Repair, Service Contracts	38,000	38,000	0	0.0
	Miscellaneous, Other Professional fees	6,000	3,500	-2500	-41.7
<i>Fixed Employee Benefits</i>					
	Retirement, Social Security	397,000	381,465	-15,535	-3.9
	Health Insurance	455,000	490,000	35,000	7.7
	Workers Compensation	17,000	17,000	0	0.0
	Optical, Disability, Dental, Life Ins.	27,650	20,100	-7,550	-27.3
	Employee Assistance Program	1,400	1,400	0	0.0
<i>Equipment</i>					
	Equipment and Furniture	35,000	35,000	0	0.0
<i>Salaries</i>					
	Professional, Clerical, Maintenance	1,594,000	1,607,000	13,000	0.82
	Technical	63,000	64,500	1,500	2.4
	Pages	47,350	47,000	-350	-0.7
Total		3,417,200	3,503,956	86,756	2.5
REVENUES					
	State Aid, Interest, Copy, Fines, Etc.	94,800	114,000	19,200	20.3
	Amount to be raised by taxation	3,322,400	3,389,956	67,556	2.0
	Assessed Valuation	32,544,468	32,643,041	98,573	0.3
	Tax per \$100 assessed value	10.209	10.385	0.18	2.00
	Proposed cost / household @ \$3500	357.31	363.47	6.16	2.00

LIBRARY BUDGET INFORMATION

Voter Information

Who can vote: Anyone who is:

1. A citizen of the United States
2. At least 18 years of age
3. A resident of the North Babylon School District for a period of 30 days preceding the election

Who is registered:

All persons who were registered for and who voted in any North Babylon School District or Library election within four years prior to April 14, 2026 are eligible to vote in this election. Any district resident who is qualified to vote in general elections and who remains qualified to vote from the residence address from which s/he registered and who has voted in a general election within the last four years is qualified to vote in the library election.

**Register in person at
Central Administration
North Babylon School District
5 Jardine Place
North Babylon**

**between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM
or through the
Board of Elections**

**Board of Elections applications are available at
the Reference Desk**

Absentee Ballots/Early Mail Ballots:

1. Obtain an application in person at the Library or call and the Library will mail one to you
2. Return the signed application
3. The Library will send you a ballot with SASE. The ballot must be mailed or handed personally to the individual voter
4. Return the signed ballot by April 13, 2026

**Public Information Meeting
and Candidate Presentation
Tuesday, March 17, 6:00 PM**

**Annual Budget Vote
and Trustee Election:
Tuesday, April 14
12:00 Noon - 8:00 PM
In the Library**

From Your Board of Trustees

This is our proposed 2026/2027 budget for your approval. We continue to remain within the NYS 2% tax cap.



Our expansion is complete. We now have a ground floor meeting room, two new ADA compliant bathrooms and a lift/elevator for the book stacks. We have continued to develop and improve our programming in all our departments. We have added more FREE museum passes including the Guggenheim Museum, Long Island Children's Museum and the Town of Babylon pool passes. New toys and activities have been added in the Children's room. The Seed Library has been expanded. Vending machines were added in the front Lobby.

We will continue to improve our Library. If you agree with our current steps for the Library, come down and show your support on April 14th.



Tory T. Hare, President
Ira Hester, Vice President
Patricia Ziegler, Finance Trustee
Laurie Atlas, Secretary
Theresa DeBlasi, Assistant Secretary

ADULT PROGRAMS

North Babylon adult cardholders only.

Patrons may sign up self and *one* additional North Babylon cardholder; valid, unexpired, in good standing library cards are required in order to register. Checks must be made payable to North Babylon Public Library

Free Museum Passes

Looking for a fun free outing with your family? The North Babylon Public Library offers **FREE** family museum passes for Adult North Babylon Cardholders to reserve.

Patrons can book a museum pass for a specific date. Each pass can be booked once every 30 days. Patrons can book passes online, by phone or in person.

***Printable Passes**– Patrons are able to book and print certain museum passes from home. These reservations cannot be cancelled.

Pickup/Return to the Library Museum Passes– Patrons will make a reservation for a specific date. The pass is due back before the Library's closing on the return date.

For more information, ask at the Reference Desk.

American Air Power Museum*
Brooklyn Botanic Garden*
Children's Museum of the East End*
Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery*
Cradle of Aviation Museum*
Fire Island Lighthouse*
Garvies Point Museum and Preserve*
Guggenheim Museum (NEW)
Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum*
Long Island Children's Museum (NEW)
Long Island Maritime Museum*
New York Hall of Science*
New York State Empire Pass
9/11 Memorial and Museum
Old Westbury Gardens (re-opens in April)*
Planting Fields Arboretum*
Vanderbilt Museum and Planetarium*



Discount Codes

Adventure Park at LI, 15% discount
The Argyle Theater, \$5 discount
Bronx and NYC Zoos/Aquarium, 20% online
CM Performing Arts Center, 20% discount
Gateway Playhouse, half price, online
Manes Studio Theater, \$5 discount
Stop by the Circulation Desk to receive codes.

Discount Tickets

LI Aquarium, Adult \$39, Child/Senior \$28
4 tickets maximum per family
Cash only, exact change, please.
Tickets are non-refundable.

North Babylon adult cardholders only.

Museum Pass Spotlight

Brooklyn Botanic Gardens is 52-acres of gardens that include a number of specialty "gardens within the Garden," plant collections, and the Steinhardt Conservatory, which houses the C.V. Starr Bonsai Museum. Our pass includes free admission for 2 adults and children 17 years of age and under. *This pass is a print from home pass.*



Long Island Children's Museum, located in Garden City, offers interactive exhibits plus live theater, art spaces and daily activities to provide hours of discovery for children of all ages. Our pass entitles 4 library card holders to a free visit to the LICM. This pass is good **ONLY** for admission during normal museum hours. No adults without children or children without an adult will be admitted. Children under 12 months of age are free. *This pass is a pickup/return pass. Check our website for complete information on this pass.*

The Long Island Maritime Museum

This Museum, located in Sayville, is committed to the research, preservation and interpretation of our region's rich nautical heritage and the role of Long Island in our national maritime story. Our pass offers general Admission for up to 2 adults and 6 children (12 and under). *This pass is a print from home pass.*

Check the Library's website for complete information on all our passes,

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Online Resources

Free access anytime/anywhere!

Patrons just need their North Babylon Library card and pin/password.

Comics Plus-Offers unlimited, simultaneous access to thousands of digital graphic novels, manga, and picture books from dozens of library-friendly publishers.

Flipster-Free magazines are available in an easy to read digital format. Patrons can view the magazines on a computer or tablet using their library card. Magazines include: *Car and Driver, People, Prevention* and *Time*. Over 200 magazines are available to read online (current and back issues).

Homework Help (FREE)-Suffolk County residents have free access to Homework Help, Skills-Building and Adult Learning Center. Spanish speaking support is available. Live academic assistance is available from Mon – Sun, 2:00 PM -11:00 PM EST.

Kanopy-Offers patrons access via streaming to over 30,000 feature films, documentaries, foreign language, and educational videos.

Libby-Download and borrow free e-books and audiobooks. Read from your favorite device. No late fees.

Livebrary Databases– A comprehensive collection of web sites and full-text online databases, including magazines, newspapers, directories, encyclopedias, and business resources. Live-brary.com is a cooperative project of the public libraries in Suffolk County.

TumbleBooks-TumbleBook Library is an online collection of animated, talking picture books which teach young children the joys of reading in a format they will love. ***NEW to our collection:*** TumbleMath a comprehensive collection of math picture books.

Help Support our Community

We maintain drop off boxes for:

Food for a local food pantry

Eye glasses/hearing aids for the Lions Club

Pet food/supplies for the Babylon Animal Shelter

Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings

Tuesdays, March 17 and April 21

6:00 PM

Monthly Discussion Groups

10:00 - 11:00 AM

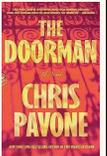
New members are always welcome. Please pick up your book at the Circulation Desk.

Tuesday, March 31

Bring a book you would like to recommend for an upcoming book discussion.

Tuesday, April 28

As part of Long Island Reads, this month we are reading, *The Doorman*– Chris Pavone.



Career Counselor

Mondays, March 2, and April 6

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Saturdays, March 21 and April 18

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Meet with professional Career Counselor Barbara McCleave for help with resumes and career options. Appointment required. *North Babylon cardholders only.*

Suffolk County Senior ID Cards

All Suffolk County residents aged 60 or older are eligible. Free Senior ID Cards entitle you to discounts on bus fare, ferries to Fire Island, and discounts with participating businesses and townships. Ask for yours at the Circulation Desk.

Catholic Health Bus

Friday, April 17

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Catholic Health will provide their mobile bus with free health screenings including blood pressure.



ADULT PROGRAMS

One-on-One Medicare Counseling and Assistance **Tuesdays, March 3 and April 7** **9:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

Meet individually with an RSVP Suffolk volunteer from the Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program for Medicare health insurance and benefits. *By appointment only.*

Medicaid Enrollment Assistance **Tuesdays, March 17 and April 21** **10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Enrollment assistance for adults and children, disabled or blind and anyone over the age of 65. Call 631-435-3000, M-F, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. for more information.

Social Work Intern **Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, April 7, 14, 21 & 28** **5:00 - 8:00 PM** **Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17 & 24** **1:00 - 5:00 PM**

The Library offers a free service to patrons through the Social Work Intern Program at the Stony Brook University School of Social Welfare. Patrons will receive one-on-one assistance completing forms/applications, referrals to mental health resources and other topics.

All Levels Yoga/Mobility Class **Fridays, March 6, 27, April 3, 10 and 17** **5:30- 6:30 PM**

This yoga class is for all levels. Improve flexibility and posture. Please bring a yoga mat.

Deep Stretch Yin Yoga **Tuesdays, March 10, 24, 31, April 7, 14 and 28** **5:30 - 6:30 PM**

Yin Yoga targets your deep connective tissues, like your fascia, ligaments, and joints. Join Angelina for this meditative class, Please bring a yoga mat.

Rhythm and Wellness **Fridays, March 13 and April 10** **10:30 - 11:30 AM**

Join us for a fun and uplifting Latin dance workshop designed to boost your mental health and well-being! Move your body, lift your spirit, and connect with the rhythm of salsa, bachata, and merengue in a supportive and joyful environment. No experience needed, just bring your energy and an open heart!



Sewing Club **Tuesday, March 10** **3:00 - 4:30 PM**

Bring your sewing machine, tools (scissors, seam ripper, etc.), and materials to the library to work on your projects. You must know how to thread a bobbin and use your machine.

New Voting Machines Demo **Tuesday, March 24** **10:00 AM- 7:00 PM**

Patrons are free to come in and learn about the new Suffolk County voting machines. Test them out to prepare for the upcoming elections and the primaries in June.

Belmont Lake State Park Tour **Friday, March 20** **10:00 AM- 12:00 PM**

Join us for a walking tour at Belmont Lake State Park. Rich in history, the property was purchased by August Belmont in 1926. It is home to a significant wetland complex. Waterfowl that can be easily spotted include Northern Shovelers, Mergansers, Teal, Great Blue Heron, and Egrets. The tour fee is courtesy of the Library. Meet at the park: \$8 parking fee for those under age 62. North Babylon cardholders only.



Blood Drive Bus **Thursday, March 26** **1:00 - 7:00 PM**

The New York Blood Center Bus will be here in the parking lot. There is a critical need for blood donations at this time.



Brushes & Bliss **Friday, March 27** **10:30 - 11:30 AM**

Use painting for a calming and uplifting experience. Adults will benefit from emotional expression, stress reduction, and increased mindfulness.

Senator Martinez Office Hours **Thursday, April 2** **5:30 - 7:30 PM**

Meet with Senator Monica Martinez's office to discuss community issues.

The Library will be closed:
Sunday, April 5 for Easter

ADULT PROGRAMS

Friday Movies 1:00 PM

March 6 –*Wicked for Good (PG) (137 min)*
April 17–*Nuremberg(PG) (140 min)*



Classic Movie Night 6:00 PM

March 19–*To Catch a Thief (PG) (106 min)*

Coffee and tea will be served.

AARP Smart Driver Course Saturday, April 4 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM



This course refreshes skills and can qualify you for an auto insurance discount . Please bring your membership card (if applicable) and driver's license to class. There will be a break for lunch. Fee: \$25 for members (with card at registration) or \$30 for non-members.

History Series

Women in U.S. Intelligence: 1776 to the CIA Sunday, March 15 2:30 - 3:30 PM

Les Paldy, author, professor and former CIA officer will tell little-known stories of women intelligence operatives who contributed to our security from our nation's founding to the present.

North Babylon Estates: A Playground for the Wealthy, 1860s-1920s Wednesday, April 8 6:30 - 8:00 PM

The open spaces of North Babylon became the country estates of the wealthy and famous in the late 1800s and early 1900s. A look at the local estates of August Belmont (both Sr. and Jr.), Royal Phelps (Phelps Lane Park), Ambassador M. Robert Guggenheim and others. Presented by Mary Cascone, Babylon Town Historian.

Ceramic Cow Thursday, March 12 5:30 - 7:30 PM



We will be painting a ceramic cow. All supplies will be included in the class. **\$12 fee.**

Paint Night Thursday, March 26 6:00 - 7:30 PM



Let's paint some fun art; no experience needed. Supplies and step-by-step instructions provided. **\$10 fee.**

Ceramic Garden Bunnies Thursday, April 9 5:30 - 7:30 PM



We will be painting adorable ceramic bunnies. All supplies will be included for the class. **\$12 fee.**

Drop in Craft: Paint a Pot for Earth Day!

**Tuesday, April 14
3:30 - 7:30 PM**

Join us to paint your very own flower pot in celebration of Earth Day.

Pop Art Pet Portrait Thursday April 16 6:00 7:30 PM



Create this unique pop art portrait of your best animal friend. If you do not have a pet, photos of birds, flowers, and butterflies will be available. Please submit a photo of your pet one week before the program via email to the instructor. **\$5 fee.**

Art with Pamela: Thursday, April 23 6:00 - 7:30 PM



Join artist Pamela Trastelis for a painting lesson. No experience needed and all materials will be provided. **\$10 fee.**

All fees are non-refundable.

GRASP & ESL Assessments Thursday, April 30 4:00 - 8:00 PM

High School Equivalency (GRASP) is designed for those students unable to attend classes and are preparing for the GED exam. English as a Second Language (ESL) provides functional knowledge of the English language. Adults 21 and older.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Registration for all Children's classes begins March 2 and April 1. North Babylon School District residents only with a valid library card. Please let us know in advance if you will need an accommodation that will make an event accessible to you.

Drop in Crafts

Tuesday, March 3 and Thursday, April 2

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Grades: PreK - 5

Pick from an assortment of crafts to make and take home. *No registration required.*

Drop In Play Date

Thursdays, March 5, 26 and April 9, 23

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Ages: 1- 5 years

Meet up with friends, or make new ones, for yourself and your little one. *No registration required.*

Saturday Games

Saturdays, March 7 and April 4

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Grades: PreK-5 and Families

Come by the Children's Room and enjoy playing various games with family and friends. A fun way to spend an afternoon! *No registration required.*

PlayHooray Families

Saturdays, March 7 and April 11

1:00-1:45 PM

Ages: Birth-Six Years

Designed to entertain the entire family! Enjoy music lively activities, play with hula hoops, drums, hobby horses, instruments, and so much more!



Children's Chess Club

Tuesdays, March 10, 24 and April 14 and 28

6:00-7:30 PM

Grades: 1-5

Practice your game and perfect your skills in chess matches with teen chess players! Beginners welcome.

Walloping Weather

Wednesday, March 11

4:15-5:15 PM

Grades: K-5

Participate in hands-on experiments to understand how and why weather occurs. Recreate the water cycle and mimic a rain cloud. Try out meteorology measurement tools, and create a three day weather forecast. Stage a statically charged indoor storm, and more! Take home the color-changing Sun Beads kit to detect ultraviolet light from the sun.



Lions and Lambs Cupcakes

Friday, March 13

6:30-7:30 PM

Grades: K - 5

Celebrate March which comes "in like a lion and goes out like a lamb" by decorating cupcakes in a lion and lamb motif!



Art With Miss Laura

Saturday, March 14: *Vincent Van Gogh*

Saturday, April 18: *Wassily Kandinsky*

2:00-3:00 PM

Grades: 2-5

Learn about famous artists, and their techniques, from Miss Laura! Create your own masterpiece based on the featured artist's techniques, with each session featuring a world-renowned artist. "Dress for a Mess," as painting is involved!



Tots Night Out

Monday, March 16 - *Shamrock Silliness*

Monday April 13 - *Five Little Fishes*

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Ages: 18 months -5 years

Enjoy music, movement, activities, stories and a craft with your little one!

Just Baby and Me

Tuesdays, March 17 and April 14

10:30 - 11:00 AM

Ages: Birth - 18 months

You and your child will enjoy music, lap-time rhymes, free-play time with toys and bubbles!

Flower Mirror

Tuesday, March 17

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: K-5

Create a beautiful petal rimmed mirror using metallic fabric petals and beads!



Lego Fun!

Wednesdays, March 18 and April 29

4:00-4:45 PM

Grades: 1-5

Create a project with Legos and see it displayed.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Catching Colors

Thursday, March 19, 10:30 - 11:00 AM

Green

Thursday, April 30, 10:30 - 11:00 AM

Gray

Ages: 18 months - 4 years

Have fun learning colors with music, games, and activities.

Spring Craft Fest

Thursday, March 19

4:00-7:00 PM

Ages: 3-10 Years

Have fun celebrating spring by making an assortment of spring themed crafts. *No registration required*



Imagination Station

Fridays, March 20 and April 10

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Grades: PreK - 5

Stop into our Imagination Station and see what you can create with various crafting materials.

No registration required.

Family Yoga

Saturdays, March 21 and April 4

2:00-2:45 PM

Ages: 5 - 8 years with parents

Learn and practice yoga poses with your child, enjoy yoga stories, games and songs.

Bring yoga mats, towels and water bottles.



Story Times

Pre-School Story Time Classes

Wednesdays, March 4, 25, April 15, 22

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM, Ages: 2 - 5

Fridays, March 6, 27, April 17, 24

6:30 - 7:00 PM

Ages: 2 - 5 years

Join us for stories, crafts and activities.



Family Story Time

Saturdays, March 14 and April 11

10:30 - 11:00 AM

Grades: Birth - Grade 5

Enjoy stories, songs and a craft!

Sensory Story Time

Saturday, March 21

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Ages: 2 - 5 years

Join us for this interactive story time for even the most restless listener



Sleepy Time Tales

Tuesdays, March 31 and April 21

6:30-7:15 PM

Ages: 1 -5 years with Parent

Come with your little one (in pajamas if you'd like) for bedtime stories, music, and a play time with other little ones. Don't forget to bring your favorite stuffie!



Sunday Family Movies

2:00 PM



March 22-Smurfs (PG) (90 min)

April 26-The SpongeBob Movie: Search for Squarepants (PG) (96 min)

Enjoy a movie with family & friends!

Epic Ocean Record Breakers

Wednesday, March 25

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Grades: 1 - 5

Test your knowledge in a fun, fast-paced gameshow style activity. Design and decorate your own flying Colossal Squid Kite to take to the skies during this windy season!



Spring Chocolate Eggs

Friday, March 27

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: K-5

Decorate four chocolate eggs then fill them with different treats (jellybeans, mini marshmallows, M&M's, chocolate chips.) Comes with a wooden hammer to break them open and enjoy later!



Paint Night-Rainbow Balloons Over Fields

Monday, March 23

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Grades: K - 5

Paint beautiful balloons floating over fields in vibrant rainbow colors!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Baby Start

Saturdays, March 28 and April 25

10:00 - 10:45 AM

Ages: Birth - 17 months

Introduce your littlest learner to the wonderful world of library programs. Activities include music, movement and finger plays.

Zumba Kids

Saturdays, March 28 and April 25

12:30-1:15 PM

Grades: K-5

Join us for this exciting and fun dance party that helps children develop a healthy lifestyle and incorporate fitness as a natural part of children's lives.

Wooden Spring Train Sign

Monday, March 30

6:30-7:15 PM

Grades: K-5

Make something fun to add interest to your garden this spring – or give as a gift!



Peeps Snow Globe

Tuesday, March 31

4:00-4:45 PM

Grades: K - 5

Celebrate spring and make your own edible spring snow globe using Peeps, marshmallows, and treats!

Watts Up

Wednesday, April 8

4:15-5:15 PM

Grades: K-5

Gain an introduction to the properties of electricity and electric charges! Learn how to protect yourself from electric shocks and lightning.



Bunny Face Cupcakes

Thursday, April 9

6:30-7:30 PM

Grades: K-5

Decorate cupcakes using icing and candies with a bunny motif. Take them home in a bakery box!

Sew With Miss Sue– Felt Tree Wall Hanging

Wednesday, April 15

4:00-5:30 PM

Grades: 1-5

Learn the button stitch, and sew buttons on a felt tree, which will become a wall hanging for you.

Whale Tail Treasure

Thursday, April 16

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: 1-5

Splash into spring and celebrate Earth Day like a true ocean explorer! Shape surprisingly colorful beads from recycled material, then turn them into an awesome necklace or keychain complete with a shiny whale tail charm. Each creation is a beautiful tribute to migrating whales who live off our coasts.

Stories and Stretches

Saturday, April 18

11:00 - 11:45 AM

Ages: 2 -5 years

Enjoy an interactive story time where children will act out characters, scenery and stories through gentle stretches and child yoga poses. *Please dress in comfortable, flexible clothing.*



Children's Paint Night-Astronaut in Space

Monday, April 20

6:30 -7:30 PM

Grades: K -5

Paint a fun astronaut floating in a sea of stars!

Chess Training for Children

Wednesday, April 22

4:00-5:00 PM

Grades: 1-5

Improve your chess playing skills by attending this workshop designed to instruct beginners through intermediate playing abilities.



Fairy Birdhouse

Thursday, April 23

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Grades: K - 5

Decorate a birdhouse in a fairy/woodland design for your home or garden!



Ceramic Turtle Box

Monday, April 27

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Grades: 2 - 5

Paint, with guidance, a realistic ceramic turtle with a removable shell top. Store your special trinkets change in it!

TEEN COMMUNITY SERVICE AND MORE

Community Service Programs:

Bookmark Bonanza

Wednesdays, March 18 and April 15

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Design and create unique bookmarks to share with fellow library patrons.



Chess Buddies

Tuesdays, March 10 and 24, April 14 and 28

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Help younger children improve their chess skills by playing games with them.

Chess Buddies Training

Wednesday, April 22

5:15- 6:15 PM

This class will teach you chess basics and the mechanics of the game so you can volunteer at the library for our Chess Buddies program.

Tiny Art

Wednesday, April 29

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Teens will create small, vibrant works of art on tiny canvases to leave and display in the library.



Thrive & Shine: A Self-Care Guide

Fridays, March 13 and April 10

4:00 - 5:00 PM

This is an empowering program designed for teens to discover the importance of self-care through engaging activities, practical tips, and inspiring conversations.

Clothing Swap

Our Social Work Intern is collecting gently used clothing for our upcoming Clothing Swap in May. A box for donations is located near the Circulation Desk.



Teens can receive community service for helping at this event. For more information ask at the Reference Desk.

Library of Things

Planning a party or trip? North Babylon Adult Library cardholders can checkout the following items from the Library:

Ames Instruments Infrared Laser Thermometer
Binoculars
Blood Pressure Cuff
Board Games
Corn Hole Bean Bag Toss
Kan Jam
Kodak Carousel 4600 Slide Projector
Metal Detector
Telescope
Volleyball Set
WiFi Hotspot
Zurich ZR28 OBD-II Reader



Watch for more items to be added soon!

Try out our TonieBox

It is an audio player for kids. Great for stories, music, and education. Screen-free listening experience that inspires your kids imagination in ways that over-stimulating flashing screens do not.

Characters available:

Beauty and the Beast
Pete the Cat
Pidgeon (Mo Willems)
National Geo. Set (Includes Penguin, Whale, Dinosaur, Astronaut, Dog.)



For more information ask at the Children's Room desk.

Take-Home Community Service Bags

Check out our Take-Home Community Service Bags and bring them home. Use the watercolors inside to make 4 bookmarks. Cut out the bookmarks with scissors and then return them and the bag to the Reference desk to earn one hour of community service credit.



A maximum of one hour per student will be accepted each month.

TEEN/TWEEN PROGRAMS

Registration for all Young Adult classes begins March 2. Young Adult classes are for North Babylon School District residents only with a valid library card and currently in grades 6 - 12.

SAT Review

Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24 and 31
6:30– 8:30 PM

Fee: \$85 due upon registration

Prepare for the SAT with this multi session workshop. Study materials for the test will be provided. This program will be held at the West Islip Public Library. *Registration is underway.*

Drop in Craft

Wednesday, March 4
3:00 – 5:00 PM

Stop into the library and make a quick craft. *No registration required.*



Afterschool Gaming

Fridays, March 27 and April 24
3:00 – 4:00 PM

Stop by afterschool to play Mario Kart, on our Nintendo Switch. Also play our board games and enjoy a snack. *No registration required.*

100 Books before Graduation

100 Books before Graduation is a reading challenge for teens to read 100 books before they graduate high school. Register on the Library's website and log your books online. Every 10 books you read will earn you a prize!

Do You Need Community Service Hours?

Teens can earn community service by donating canned or boxed non-perishable foods. Every four items will earn students one hour of community service. Please bring your items to the Reference Desk to receive credit. *A maximum of two hours per student will be accepted each calendar month.*

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Tween Programs Grades 4-8 only

Intro to American Sign Language
Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 26
4:00 –5:00 PM

Learn ASL, including most used phrases. A fun, interactive learning program.

Tween Beaded Wind Chime
Monday, March 9
6:30-7:30 PM

Make a beaded Wind Chime to capture the March winds and play its music to welcome spring!

Team Up! Garlic Knot
Wednesday, April 1
6:30-7:30 PM

Learn how to make the dough for fresh garlic knots. Take home enough dough for 12 that get topped with butter, cheese, garlic and spices. Bake your garlic knots at home and enjoy them together. *Tweens are required to bring a grownup.*



Ceramic Cupcake Bank
Monday, April 6
6:30-7:30 PM

Have fun painting a ceramic cupcake bank!



Learn to Crochet
Tuesdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28
4:00-5:00 PM

Learn a new skill that could last a lifetime! Materials will be supplied by the Library.

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