

Menu of School Services

Appetizers for beginners

Catalog Basics

 45 min  max 30 

Note: students should know basic library terminology




Learn how to use our online catalog to search for books on a variety of topics. Searching by title, author and subject will be discussed. Learn to limit a search and find specific types of materials. Find out if something is checked in and available for browsing, and how to place holds on items currently elsewhere.

Booklists

 2 weeks

Request books on a topic and/or grade level of your choosing. Librarians may recommend existing lists or create a custom list based on your needs.

What is the Library? In-Person Tours

 45 min  20-30 max depending on library capacity 

Note: students should know basic library terminology

Get a tour of a neighborhood library and learn about the services of public libraries in the 21st century! Find out what we stock, how you can borrow items, and what you can research that isn't on the open Internet. (Note: for groups of more than 30 students, tours must be booked at the Central Resource Library.)

To book services, contact:
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Entrees for intermediates



Database Basics

 45 min  max 30 

Note: students must be assigned a specific topic or project

At the Central Resource Library learn the differences between database content and the open Internet, which publications are archived in databases, and the best sources for specific topics of research.

Recreational Reading

 45 min  max 50 students per period

Note: breaks must be built into the schedule for librarians





Grades K-3 can get a storytime from a librarian, learn about what the Library has to offer young children, and will be encouraged to get a library card.

Grades 4-8 can get booktalks on the current year's William Allen White selections, or the newest and hottest titles of the past year. Librarians will present the plot of the books in a compelling manner, and encourage students to explore recreational reading at the Library.

Grades 6-12 can get booktalks on the newest and hottest titles of the past year. Librarians will present the plot of the books in a compelling manner, and encourage students to explore recreational reading at the Library. Students will also learn about teen events and programs for their enjoyment.

Desserts for experts





Expert Database Searching

 2 hrs  max 30   3 weeks

Note: students must be assigned a specific topic or project

Focus on research for a specific project assigned to students. Come to the Central Resource Library to find out which databases are best for the topic at hand, how to optimize searches using keywords, and evaluate sources for bias. Librarians will guide students in constructing their search, and then bridging from information collection to synthesis.




Subject-Focused Tours

 45min - 1 hr  max 40   3 weeks

Note: students must be assigned a specific topic or project

Come to the Central Resource Library and discover specialized resources for specific research projects. Librarians who are experts in their fields can familiarize students with the relevant information sources and demonstrate how to conduct searches. Examples include: business/demographic data, law and social science resources, literary criticism, historical eras, current events, opposing viewpoints, science/innovation.

Custom Booktalks

 45 min  max 50 students per period  3 weeks

Note: breaks must be built into the schedule for librarians

Librarians can consult with you on special themes for booktalks to students in grades 6-12. A customized booklist will be created and a librarian can visit your class to promote the titles on the list. Ideas include:

- Award-winning books for teens
- Books into movies
- Historical eras in fiction
- Graphic novels
- High interest/low reading level (for developing readers)

Librarians can gear presentations to audiences of students or educators.

We are happy to come to individual classrooms, or to present at building-wide or district-wide meetings. Please contact us and make a request for service as far in advance as possible to ensure adequate scheduling and preparation time for librarians. All services are available as time and staffing allow.

Side Dishes a little extra

Booths at School Events

We can come to your next back-to-school night, resource fair or festival and promote library resources and events and sign attendees up for library cards.

Book Clubs

If you already have a book club or are thinking about starting one at your school, consult with our librarians about suggested books, discussion guides, and obtaining copies of books for your group. Librarians are happy to attend book club and help facilitate discussion.

Connect With Us Online

HOMWORKHELP

Resources for students, including booklists and recommended databases at the Homework Help page.


www.jocolibrary.org/homework


FOR EDUCATORS

Request materials for your classroom and find out more about special programs and services on our educators page.


www.jocolibrary.org/educators

These offerings are meant to be introductory in nature and will not provide adequate time for students to complete all research needed for a particular project. Please encourage students to practice using our resources on a regular basis in order to build their information literacy skills.

 Time needed to prepare custom resources

 Time needed to present the resources

 Capacity per session

 A current verified library card is needed to use library resources

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Library cards = essential for access

Every student needs a current, valid library card. With a library card and PIN, students can:

- Have online access to newspaper, magazine, and reference book articles through library databases. These are available anywhere you have internet access. (Typically, the library is not able to archive physical newspapers, magazines, or reference books.)
- Log in to their individual accounts to renew materials, place holds, and check due dates.
- Log in to their individual accounts to create booklists, write reviews and rate books they read (age 13 and older only).
- Log in and use computers at library locations. If you wish to print from our computers, you can also use your library card to store money on your account. www.jocolibrary.org/librarycard
- Only one person can use an account at a time. Ages 16 and older with a valid ID card, need parents to sign

How to get your students a library card:
o Guaranteed and easiest method is to encourage students to go to the library (with a parent or guardian if under 16).
o Limited cards may be made in conjunction with a class visit if arranged in advance.

- o Under 16 need a parent's signature
- o Both need a verified address (school could do this on letterhead)

Communication = essential for success

When students use the library to complete an assignment, we want to ensure they will have a positive experience. Consulting with our staff before an assignment is made can:

- Help teachers assess what kinds and quantities of materials are available for students to use. If students are told to access materials that we don't own, we can request these from another library system – but they will need to factor that extra delivery time into account (up to six weeks).
- Help teachers direct students towards the best resources for their reading and developmental level.
- Help teachers to become aware of what is currently being published on their topic, so that students do not look for materials that don't actually exist. We can make custom booklists and provide professional reviews and resources for teacher use (allow at least two weeks).
- Help teachers ensure that each student has a current, valid library card so that they are able to actually check out materials and look up books in our catalog and on our databases.

Connections = essential for knowledge

Our professional librarians are happy to visit your schools and provide a variety of services, as time allows.

- Booktalking (motivating readers through the description of book plots, often on a theme)
- Exhibiting at school events to promote library resources to the community
- Providing continuing education for staff in-service days

Upcoming Library Events

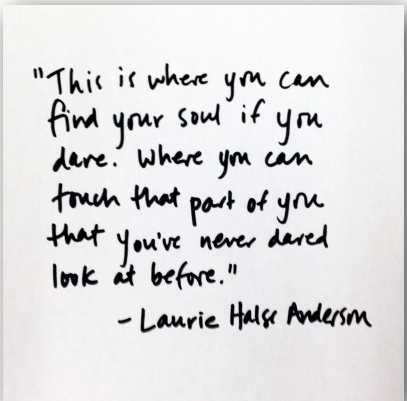


Latino Festival Sept. 7, 11:00 am-3:00 pm at Oak
Park www.jocolibrary.org/latinofestival

Teen Anime Festival
Saturday, November 2
10am-4:30 pm
Central Resource Library
www.jocoteenscene.org/anime



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Laurie Halse
Anderson
Teen authors and
artists may submit
original work to
the library's literary
magazine through
December 2, 2013.
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information at
www.jocolibrary.org/homeworkhelp