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MAY: CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES Drop In Any Time (all ages)

Week of May 6

Día de los Niños/Día de los Libros:

Celebrate diverse books, languages and cultures! *Albany, Barbour, Downtown, Park*

Engineering Table: Ropkins

Craft Sticks & more! Design and build something unique! *Ropkins*

Perler Bead Bonanza:

Get creative with perler beads! *Camp Field, Dwight*

Week of May 13

Engineering Table

Craft Sticks & more! *Camp Field*

Cup Towers

Build your own creation as high as you can. *Albany*

Can You Find Beekle?

Find the picture book characters hidden in the library! *Dwight*

Coretta Scott King Book Awards 50th Anniversary

Explore picture book illustrations and make your own! *Barbour, Downtown, Park*

Lanyard Lacing Fun

Ropkins

Week of May 20

Perler Bead Bonanza

Get creative with perler beads! *Albany*

Build it with Strawbees

Design and build with plastic straws and connectors. *Dwight, Park*

Legos in the Library

Be a master builder with Legos and imagination! *Ropkins*

Spring Craft Make & Take

Get crafty with our supplies to celebrate Spring! *Barbour, Camp Field, Downtown*

Week of 5/28

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Folded Paper Butterflies

Make beautiful paper butterflies! *Barbour, Downtown, Park*

Yarn Week

Camp Field

LEAP INTO LEARNING (Ages Birth-Five with Caregiver)

Every Child Ready to Read Story Time

The five practices of the Every Child Ready to Read initiative are talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, and sing songs.

Mon & Fri | 11 - 12 | Downtown

Tues | 10-10:30 & 10:30-11 | Ropkins

Thur | 10-10:45 & 10:45-11:15 | Ropkins

Wed | 9:15-10 | Rawson

Thur | 10 - 10:45 | Park

Wed | 10:30-11:30 | Albany

Wed | May 8 | 9:30-10:30 | Dwight

Wed | May 15 | 11-11:30 | Camp Field

Sensational Sensory Wednesdays

Interactive play-time for children. Enjoy a new and exciting sensory, hands-on learning activity.

Wed | 11-12 | Downtown

Tots & Tunes

A group for little ones to come together and experience movement and music with songs, finger plays, musical instruments and more.

Wed | 12-12:30 | Downtown

App Play

Join us to learn and play with great free educational apps. Get tips on using digital media with your child.

Fri | May 17 | 2-4:30 | Camp Field

MAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS: AGES 6-12

Crazy 8's Club/STEM Wednesdays

Join us for hands on activities involving Science, Technology, Engineering and Math!

Wednesdays | 4-5| Downtown

Homework Help — Get help with your homework and reading at the library!

Mondays—Fridays | 3-5| Albany

Mondays—Fridays| 3-4:30 | Camp Field

Fridays—Saturdays |2-4| Downtown

Mondays– Fridays | 3:30-4:30 | Dwight

Mondays-Fridays | 3-4 | Park

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays | 3:30-5 | Ropkins

Tuesdays | 2-3:30 | Ropkins

Live Animal Encounter

Join us for fun interactive programs with our special guests from the Imagine Nation Museum.

Wed| May 1| 4-5| Camp Field

Book Fiesta! Día Family Reading Celebration

Come celebrate Día de los Niños, a national literacy event to promote diverse books, languages and cultures! Join us for shared read-alouds of multicultural books, crafts, and check out books from our special Día Family Bookshelf.

Thursdays | May 9 - 24 | Camp Field

Volcano Fun

Join us for fun interactive programs with our special guests from the Imagine Nation Museum.

Thur| May 2| 4-5| Barbour

Thur| May 2 | 4-5| Park & 4-5:30| Downtown

Torque Tops

Explore the physics behind spinning tops in this fun DIY toy workshop.

Thur| May 3| 4-5| Park & 3:30-4:30| Barbour

Día Family Book Club

Become part of the Día Book Club to discover our treasure trove of bilingual and multicultural collection. Enjoy story sharing and crafts.

Thur| May 9-24| 4-5:30| Camp Field

Self-Care Corner: Mindful Moments

Take a break and learn how to handle stress with easy relaxation tips using music, paint, and your own body.

Thur| May 2 | 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Skittles Rainbow Science

Create your own rainbow design with this fun Skittles science experiment.

Tues& Thur | May 7& 9 | 4-6| Rawson

Mon| May 13| 4-5:30| Camp Field

Time for Slime

Measure, mix and make a personal batch of slime that you can take home.

Tues | May 7| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

Tues| May 14| 4-5| Downtown

Tues| May 21| 4-6| Rawson

Get Blown Away!

Create a turbine that will capture energy from the wind and convert it into electricity.

Wed| May 8| 4-5:30| Camp Field

Scratch Day

Design your own computer animations.

Thur| May 9| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Mon| May 13| 4-5| Downtown

Super Suminagashi: Paper Marbling

May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage. To celebrate come to the library to discover an art form practiced since the 12th century in Japan. Suminagashi, or paper marbling, literally translates as ‘floating ink’ and is fascinating hands-on craft!

Sat| May 11| 2:30-3:30| Downtown

Wed| May 15| 4-5:30| Camp Field

Thur| May 16|3:30-4:30| Barbour

Thur| May 23| 3:30-4:30| Ropkins

Tues| May 28| 4-6| Rawson

Stained Glass Color Mix Up

Create a “stained glass” window using cellophane, overlapping colors to experiment with color mixing.

Tues| May 14| 4:30-5:30| Dwight

Out of Wonder: Celebration Poetry

Come listen and perform poems from the book *Out of Wonder* by Kwame Alexander, and then write a poem yourself .

Thur| May 16| 4-5| Park

Sat| May 18| 2:30-3:30| Downtown

Tues| May 28| 4:30-5:30 pm | Dwight

Ozoblocky

Create a program code using Ozoblocky on the ipad, download to the Ozobot and watch it go!

Wed| May 22| 4-5:30| Camp Field

Bird & Diz: Time to Get Jazzy

Learn all about bebop and two of its pioneers-- Charlie “Bird” Parker and John “Dizzy” Gillespie. Groove along to the music while you create a masterpiece using oil pastels.

Thur| May 23| 4-5| Park

Wiggle Bots

Design and build your own unique wiggle-bot!

Thur| May 23| 4-5:30| Camp Field

Felt Puppet Making

Learn the basics of sewing and make your own puppet.

Thur| May 24| 3:30-5| Barbour

3D Printer Exploration

Learn all about 3D printing at the library and print something special!

Wed & Thur| May 29 & 30| Camp Field
