

ALL BCLS BRANCHES ARE CURBSIDE SERVICE ONLY

DATES EFFECTIVE: November 18 - December 9, 2020

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CALL US TO GET BOOKS AND OTHER MATERIALS.

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WE WILL FIND YOUR ITEMS AND CALL YOU TO ARRANGE PICKUP.

3



CALL WHEN YOU ARRIVE. WE WILL BRING THE ITEMS TO YOU.



BRANCH NUMBERS

AUBURN	(989) 662-2381
PINCONNING	(989) 879-3283
SAGE	(989) 892-8555
WIRT	(989) 893-9566
BOOKMOBILE	(989) 385-0837

All BCLS branches moved to **CURBSIDE SERVICE ONLY** on Wednesday, November 18. We plan to reopen for inside service on Thursday, December 10, 2020. Please note the following:

- There will be **NO OVERDUE FINES** during this time!
- If you have any items to return that will not fit in the drop box, call us when you arrive and we will come out to your car to get them.
- The Bookmobile will continue to operate, with items passed through the window. You may still check out laptops for use during the Bookmobile's stop. The schedule is available on our website.
- At Wirt, you can use either traditional curbside service or the pickup window located on the east side of the building (Madison Ave). The entrance is off of 6th St. If you choose to use the pickup window, you are welcome to call the branch to order materials, or you can place holds yourself via our online catalog and choose "BayCo/ Wirt Pick-Up Window" as your location. The window is now open during Wirt's regular hours.
- Please refer to our Facebook page and website for any updates.
- If you have questions, please call your branch library or use the chat box feature located in the bottom right corner of our website. We are happy to help!

Don't forget our digital services and collections are available on our website! You can read, watch, listen, create, and research anytime through databases, hoopla, OverDrive, Bay City Times archives, Creativebug, TumbleBooks, and many more!

READING RECOMMENDATIONS: What's your next read? All ages welcome to ask our librarians to help find something new. There are Google Forms for children, teens, and adults on our website located on the Reader Resources page under the Books & Readers tab. Fill one out and we will contact you with recommendations!

THE LIBRARY MILLAGE RENEWAL PASSED!

Thank you, Bay County, for allowing us
to serve you for 6 more years!

ADULTS

ALL PROGRAMMING IS CURRENTLY HELD VIRTUALLY
® Registration opens 1 month before at 9 am

33rd ANNUAL

Gift of Reading

NOV 2 - DEC 5, 2020



Help us gift new books to families in need!

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Donate NEW, UNWRAPPED BOOKS appropriate for any age (birth to teens)
- Drop off or mail a MONETARY GIFT and we will shop for you!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Bay County Library System Gift of Reading

DONATION LOCATIONS

- ALL BCLS BRANCHES (via curbside)
- BCLS Administrative Offices (via mail)
500 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708
- Literacy Council of Bay County Headquarters
1106 S. Madison Ave., Bay City, MI 48708

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT
PROGRAM COORDINATOR, JANELLE COE

☎ 989-894-2837 ext. 2225
✉ jcoe@baycountylibrary.org

Read What You Want Book Club ®

Wed, Dec 2, 7:00 pm

Part book club, part social hour. Readers bring whatever book they read the past month to share with the group. Registration required to receive the Zoom link.

Zoom Book Discussion ®

The Stupidest Angel by Christopher Moore

Mon, Dec 14, 2:00-3:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to join! Registration is required to receive the Zoom link and book title. Call 989-892-8555, ext. 202 to register.



Kelly Agee

Adult Virtual Craft - Holiday Greeting Cards ®

Tue, Dec 8, 6:00 pm

This program will be held virtually via Zoom and live streamed on our Facebook page. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link (by phone or via our online calendar of events).

All supplies except glue will be ready for pickup 2 weeks in advance at the branch you select during registration.

TEENS (Grades 6-12)

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NEW! Teen Lit Loot Boxes ®

December Theme: Historical Fiction

We're now offering a subscription service for grades 6-12! Each Lit Loot Box contains one library book related to the box's theme, a book to keep, and a few complimentary treats or a craft. Check out the box, enjoy the books and treats, then return the library book and box. Books can be renewed if you need more time.

To sign up, go to the Calendar of Events on the BCLS website beginning one month before boxes go out. Boxes will be available to pick up the week of November 30. Any boxes not picked up by December 5 will go to the next person on the waiting list.



Dungeons and Dragons for Teens: Online ®

(Ages 13-18)

Wed, Dec 9, 3:30-5:30 pm

Use your wit, skill, and some lucky rolls of the dice to create characters, fight bad guys, and maybe even save the world. No experience necessary! Limited slots available. Call or register via the BCLS online Calendar of Events.

Virtual Crafts for Teens



Winter Paint Pouring ®

Thu, Dec 10, 4:00 pm

Please register via the BCLS online Calendar of Events. Supplies must be picked up before the program.

BCLS READING CHALLENGES ON BEANSTACK

Have you tried one of the online reading programs on our Beanstack site? Take a look at the challenges below and **then get started at baycountylibrary.beanstack.org or the free Beanstack Tracker app, which is available on both the App Store and Google Play.**

Read Woke Challenge (All Ages)

Literature is one way to explore difficult issues, such as racism and inequality. There are 10 categories in the challenge, including compiled lists of recommended reading to help you discover diverse books.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten (Ages 0-Entering Kindergarten)

By reading just one book a night, families can reach the 1,000-book goal in three years, while providing children essential early literacy skills.

Future Librarian Training (Grades Preschool-5)

Children earn digital badges as they discover how to search our catalog, research family history, and other fun activities based on the principles of librarianship!



BAY CITY

COATS FOR KIDS

In partnership with the Salvation Army of Bay City, all BCLS branches are drop-off locations for the Coats for Kids program!

Please note: new or gently used coats are accepted for ALL AGES, not just children. Donation boxes are located inside the libraries through the second week in January.

Bay City Holiday Light Recycling Drive

THROUGH JANUARY 15

*Don't throw away your holiday lights!
Drop them off in the collection carts inside
WIRT and SAGE libraries.*



ACCEPTED: Any type of holiday **STRING** lights including LEDs, mini-light strings, twinkle lights, and rope lights (working or not).

NOT ACCEPTED: Packaging, individual light bulbs, string reels, extensions cords, etc.

If you have any questions, please call all Bay City Recycles at 989-894-8312.



SUBSCRIBE



DON'T MISS OUR ORIGINAL **YOUTUBE CONTENT.
SUBSCRIBE TO OUR CHANNELS TODAY!**

Search "Bay County Library System" to access adult and teen content including Evening Sessions programs, tutorials ranging from 'how to change a tire' to navigating our online databases, plus adult crafts!

Search "BCLS Children" for kids' content including engaging storytimes with our award-winning staff, guided tours of online services, and crafts!

Grab & Go Crafts

ADULTS

New craft every month!

Stop by every month to pick up a craft to make at home! Supplies and instructions are included in each bag.

CHILDREN (Ages 3-12*)

TEENS (Grades 6-12)

New craft every Monday!

(Tuesdays at branches closed on Mondays)

Stop by every week to pick up a craft to take home and create! Supplies and instructions are included.

**Children should be at least age 3 due to small pieces.*

CURBSIDE PICKUP AVAILABLE!
Call your branch to schedule.



Letter Scavenger Hunt ® (Ages 3-6 with a caregiver)

Wed, Dec 2, 10:30-11:00 am

Children and their caregivers are invited to join Miss Dena and Miss Denise to sing some songs and search for letters around your house! Caregivers may pick up a bag of colorful ABC letters to hide before the program. Supplies may be picked up from any BCLS branch. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.

Color Scavenger Hunt ® (Ages 3-6 with a caregiver)

Wed, Dec 16, 10:30-11:00 am

Children and their caregivers are invited to join Miss Dena and Miss Denise to sing some songs and search for colors around your house! Caregivers may pick up a bag of colorful paper shapes to hide before the program. Supplies may be picked up from any BCLS branch. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.

5 Senses Zoom Scavenger Hunt ® (Ages 5-12)

Tue, Dec 22, 2:00-2:30 pm

Use your senses to win prizes. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.

3D Giving Day: Build a Better Book Workshop ® (Ages 7-12)

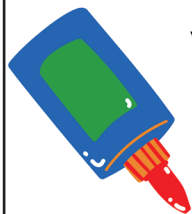
Mon, Dec 7, 4:30-5:30 pm



Center for
**Excellence in
STEM Education**

Join the CMU Center for Excellence in STEM Education to learn ways to create tactile graphics in children's books that may be useful for individuals who are blind or have low vision. Use a 3D Pen and a children's board book to create a project to return to the library for use in our community. A bag of materials will be provided and may be picked up at any BCLS branch; the 3D Pen and your

project will be returned following the program. An adult must supervise participants in case they require assistance with the technology. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.



VIRTUAL CRAFTS FOR KIDS



(Grades K-5 + Adult)



Decorate a Picture Frame ®

Wed, Dec 16, 4:00-4:30 pm

New Year's Celebration Craft ®

Wed, Dec 30, 4:00-4:30 pm

All supplies are available at your branch 2 weeks before the program. We request an adult supervise all children participating in these crafts in case they require assistance. Call or register via our website Calendar of Events to receive the Zoom link.



Tail Waggin' Tutors ® (Ages 4-12)

Thu, Dec 17, 4:00-5:00 pm

Read to a certified therapy dog in a one on one 10-minute Zoom session. After you register for the program, you will be called to schedule the time of your session. Adult supervision required.



Virtual Stuffed Animal Sleepover ® (Ages 3-8)

Tue, Dec 29, 6:30-7:00 pm

Join us for a pajama party on Zoom! Borrow one of our library puppets for a sleepover at home with your own stuffed animals and take pictures to show us all the fun they have. Pick up a bag with a library puppet, props and supplies to stage your photos, then share them on the Bay County Library System Children's Facebook Page. Supplies may be picked up from any BCLS branch. Registration is required to receive the Zoom link.

Alice & Jack Wirt Public Library
500 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708
Ph: (989) 893-9566 TDD: (989) 893-7052
Mon-Thu: 10 am-8 pm
Fri-Sat: 9 am-5 pm
Sun: *1-5 pm (*Sep-May only)

Auburn Area Branch Library
235 W. Midland Rd., Auburn, MI 48611
Ph: (989) 662-2381
Sun-Mon: Closed
Tue-Thu: 10 am-8 pm
Fri-Sat: 9 am-5 pm

Pinconning Branch Library
218 Kaiser St., Pinconning, MI 48650
Ph: (989) 879-3283
Sun-Mon: Closed
Tue-Thu: 10 am-8 pm
Fri-Sat: 9 am-5 pm

Sage Branch Library
100 E. Midland St., Bay City, MI 48706
Ph: (989) 892-8555
Mon-Tue: 9 am-5 pm
Wed-Thu: Noon-8 pm
Fri: 9 am-5 pm
Sat-Sun: Closed

Bookmobile
500 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708
Ph: (989) 893-9566 ext. 2108
Visit us on the web for a current schedule.

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Please make checks payable to: Friends of the Bay County Libraries.
Mail your form and payment to 500 Center Avenue, Bay City, MI 48708
or drop it off at any branch library.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS (ALL BRANCHES)

December 24-26

December 31 (at 5:00 pm)-January 1

Bay County Library System
500 Center Avenue
Bay City, MI 48708
baycountylibrary.org

