



LAKEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Main Library

15424 Detroit Avenue
Lakewood, Ohio 44107
(216) 226-8275

Monday—Saturday: 9 a.m.—9 p.m.
Sunday: 1 p.m.—9 p.m.

Madison Branch

13229 Madison Avenue
Lakewood, Ohio 44107
(216) 228-7428

Monday—Friday: 9 a.m.—9 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.—6 p.m.
Sunday: 1 p.m.—5 p.m.

E-mail: lpl@lkwdpl.org

Library Web Site: www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.com

Library Catalog: catalog.lakewoodpubliclibrary.com

The purpose of Lakewood Public Library is to serve people of all ages, circumstances and interests by selecting, organizing, preserving and making widely accessible the records of human experience, knowledge, ideas, information, insight and values.

Lakewood Public Library is an independent school district library serving Lakewood and surrounding areas from its two locations—the Main Library on Detroit Avenue and the Madison Branch on Madison Avenue.

Both locations offer materials, programs and services for all ages. In total, the library owns over 400,000 items for children and adults, including fiction, non-fiction, picture books, board books, graphic novels, magazines, audio books, CDs, CD-ROM, DVDs and videos. An extensive menu of programs are available, including children's story times and craft programs, homework help, after-school programs, movie nights, computer classes, and special programs on Sunday sponsored by the Friends of Lakewood Public Library.

Any resident of Ohio over two years of age may register for a library card to borrow materials for two-week loan periods. Children 14 years of age and younger must have a parent sign for their library cards. To register for a library card, bring a photo ID and proof of current address to the Circulation Desk at either location.

In 2006, Lakewood Public Library was ranked the number one library in the nation serving a population between 50,000 and 99,000 people. This was the third top ranking since 2002, along with a second-place ranking in 2004. Rankings are determined by many factors, including amount spent on library materials per person; number of library staff members; number of times materials are borrowed; amount of materials checked out per visit; reference questions answered; library materials borrowed each hour and library visits per hour.

SEE THE REVERSE SIDE FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAM INFORMATION

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

- Story times:** Weekday story times are presented seasonally during mornings, afternoons and evenings. A range of story times are available for children beginning at nine months of age, including Just Baby 'n Me; Toddler Treats; Storylore; Shake, Rattle and Roll; and Pajama Party. All story times feature tips and techniques to help develop early literacy skills. Registration is required for most story time programs.
- Family Weekend Wonders:** This story and craft time is offered each Friday, Saturday and Sunday throughout the year during mornings, afternoons and evenings. Each weekend is themed and there is no need to register. Every August, we feature school-readiness themes. All Family Weekend Wonders programs feature tips and techniques to help develop early literacy skills.
- Computer Programs:** Offering thirteen computers—five KidKiosks for toddlers and pre-schoolers and eight stations for school-age children—the Computer Connections Room provides children with an essential introduction to the computerized world through CD-ROM games that are both educational and fun.
- Homework ER:** From September through May, students in grades kindergarten through eight can receive help with their homework assignments. Monday through Thursday, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. part of the library is transformed into the Homework ER with helpers and a cart full of resources and school supplies.
- 4:00 Club:** Crafts and activities for school-age children are offered Monday through Friday at 4:00 p.m. from September through May. Each day features a different activity, such as crafts, games, movement programs and mystery days. A special summer session of 4:00 Club is offered during the summer in conjunction with Summer Reading Club.
- Summer Reading Club:** Each summer, children of all ages may join the Summer Reading Club and choose to complete 30 books or 30 hours of reading. Participants visit the Reading Club table once a week to collect stamps and tickets toward prize drawings, then receive a certificate, a nameplate and special rewards when they finish the club. Summer Reading Club happens each summer from May to August.
- Role-Playing Games:** Through sketches, storylines, challenges and activities, teams of students explore classic literature, history and/or world cultures while becoming part of the story and competing for points and prizes. This program is offered for students in grades five through eight.
- Book Discussions:** Programs focused on popular juvenile fiction titles, series or genres are offered for students in grades five through eight. Each summer, middle school students may attend a book discussion to complete their summer reading assignment.
- Individual Library Plans:** For students who need direction to maximize their use of the library and have a positive library experience, they may talk with a librarian and fill out a schedule of what they wish to achieve during their current visit.
- Outreach Programs:** Children's librarians visit many of Lakewood's day care, preschool, elementary, middle and parochial schools to present a wide variety of age-appropriate programs, including story times, read alouds, booktalks and subject-based programs.

CHECK OUT OUR CURRENT PROGRAM LISTINGS FOR ALL AGES IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Lakewood Public Library's biannual program mailer
Lakewood Public Library's online calendar www.lakewoodpubliclibrary.com/calendar/events
Library Events Calendar in The Lakewood Observer