Cheltenham TOWNSHIP Library SYSTEM
Enriching. Engaging. Inclusive.

November 2024 Youth Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Register for events at www.cheltenhamlibraries.org **East Cheltenham & La Mott Free Libraries** (Temporarily Closed) **Elkins Park Free Library** 215-635-5000 563 E. Church Road Elkins Park, PA 19027 **Glenside Free Library** 215-885-0455 215 S. Keswick Ave Glenside, PA 19038		**Teen Book Boxes @ All Libraries** Sign up for Teen Book Boxes to receive personalized "gift boxes" of requested items with fun treats and recommendations. Boxes can be delivered to Cheltenham High School, Cedarbrook Middle School, Elkins Park or Glenside Library. **Ages 13 to 18.** Email ctlsyouth@mclinc to request the sign-up form.	**31** **Fall Crafts (6-18) September 25- November 27 @ All Branches!** **Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP**	**1** **Play & Learn (1-3) 10:30-11:45AM @ EP**	**2** **Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL**
4 **Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL** **Youth Chess Club (7-13) 6:30-8PM @ EP**	**5** **D&D Club (11-18) 7-9PM @ GL**	**6** **Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP**	**7** **Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP** **Creative Writing Club (13-18) 5-6:30PM @ GL**	**8** **Play & Learn (1-3) 10:30-11:45AM @ EP**	**9** **Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL**
11 **All CTLS Libraries Closed for Veterans Day**	**12** **Talkin' About Books (6-8) 4:30PM @ EP** **Evening Storytime (0-5) 6:30PM @ GL**	**13** **Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP** **Drop-In & Play (Up to 5) 10:30AM @ GL** **Coding Creatives (10-16) 5-6PM @ EP**	**14** **Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP** **Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson (teens & adults) 6:30PM @ Zoom**	**15** **Play & Learn (1-3) 10:30-11:45AM @ EP**	**16**
18 **Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL** **Youth Chess Club (7-13) 6:30-8PM @ EP**	**19** **Read to the Dogs! (5-10) 4:30PM @ EP** **D&D Club (11-18) 7-9PM @ GL**	**20** **Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP** **Girls Who Code (10-16) 5-6PM @ EP**	**21** **Preschool Storytime Class (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP** **Creative Writing Club (13-18) 5-6:30PM @ GL**	**22** **Play & Learn (1-3) 10:30-11:45AM @ EP**	**23** **Friends of the Elkins Park Library Book Sale (Saturday) 10AM-3:30PM @ EP**
25 **Friends of the Elkins Park Library Book Sale (Monday) 10AM-3PM @ EP** **Family Storytime (0-5) 10:30AM @ GL**	**26** **Lenape Life for Preschoolers (3-5) 10:30AM @ EP** **Evening Storytime (0-5) 6:30PM @ GL**	**27** **Infant-Toddler Storytime (0-3) 10:30AM @ EP** **Drop-In & Play (Up to 5) 10:30AM @ GL**	**28** **All CTLS Libraries Closed for Thanksgiving**	**29** **All CTLS Libraries Closed for Thanksgiving**	**30**

November 2024 Youth Events

Kids and Families

Play & Learn at the Elkins Park Library
Fridays, October 25 to November 22 @ 10:30 to 11:45 am
This fun, play-based series for toddlers, parents, and caregivers provides an environment rich with toys, books, and art/sensory activities. F**amilies with children ages 1-3** are invited to spend time together, make friends, and talk one-on-one with early childhood and family support specialists. Each week a different resource specialist will be available to share resources on early literacy, child development, language, speech and hearing, nutrition, and music engagement. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Talkin' About Books at the Elkins Park Library
Tuesday, November 12 @ 4:30 pm
A monthly book club for young readers featuring a read-aloud, discussion, and craft or extension activity. Light snack offered. **For ages 6 to 8.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. November title: *When the Stars Came Home* by Brittany Luby

Drop-In & Play at the Glenside Library
Wednesdays, November 13 & 27 @ 10:30 to 11:30 am
Families and caregivers with **children up to age 5** are invited to drop in and play together! Your children will enjoy blocks, puzzles, gross motor toys, books, and more while you enjoy conversation with other parents. No registration necessary.

Read to the Dogs! At the Elkins Park Library
Tuesday, November 19 @ 4:30 to 5:30 pm
Developing readers are invited to improve their reading skills and make a new friend by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog. Please call 215-635-5000 to register in advance for a 20-minute session. **For ages 5 to 10.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Lenape Life for Preschoolers at the Elkins Park Library
Tuesday, November 26 @ 10:30 am
Explore the history of the native people who lived here in Pennsylvania. Interact with authentic and re-created props and tools, "prepare" food, feel re-created clothing, learn traditional methods of hunting and gathering, play traditional games and musical instruments. Presented by Briar Bush Nature Center. **For ages 3 to 5 with parent/caregiver.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Fall Book Club for Kids at the Glenside Library
Wednesday, December 4 @ 4:30 pm
This month's selection is TBA. After our discussion, we'll do a fun activity together. Books can be placed on hold through the library. A light snack will be offered. Please bring a refillable water bottle. **For ages 9 to 12 years.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Talkin' Bout Books at the Glenside Library
Wednesday, December 11 @ 4:30 pm
A book club for younger readers! We will read the book aloud together, talk about it, then do an activity. Books can be placed on hold through the library. A light snack will be offered. Title TBA. **For ages 6 to 8 years.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Storytimes

Family Storytime at the Glenside Library
Mondays (Except 11/11) & Saturdays, November 2 & 9 @ 10:30 am
This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, music, and movement. **For ages 6 months to 5 years.**

Infant-Toddler Storytime at the Elkins Park Library
Wednesdays @ 10:30 am
This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, music, and movement. Simple art or sensory activity on select dates. **For ages birth to 3 years.**

Preschool Storytime Class at the Elkins Park Library
Thursdays @ 10:30 am (Except 11/28)
This class helps children develop kindergarten readiness skills by teaching concepts such as the days of the week, letters, counting, rhyming words, weather, colors, and shapes. Includes stories, music and movement, basic Spanish, and a craft. **For ages 3 to 5.**

Evening Storytime at the Glenside Library
Tuesdays, November 12 & 26 @ 6:30 pm
This interactive class helps children develop early literacy skills with stories, rhymes, fingerplays, music, and movement. **For ages 6 months to 5 years.** Pajamas and cozy clothes welcome!

Tweens and Teens

Teen Book Boxes @ All Libraries
Sign up for Teen Book Boxes to receive personalized "gift boxes" of requested items with fun treats and recommendations. Boxes can be delivered to Cheltenham High School, Cedarbrook Middle School, Elkins Park or Glenside Library. **Ages 13 to 18.** Email ctlsyouth@mclinc to request the sign-up form.

Fall Crafts @ All Libraries
Through November 27
Stop by the library branches for fun autumn and Halloween arts and craft projects! Can be done in person in the Children's and Teen Areas or as a take-home kit. **Ages 8 to 18.**

Youth Chess Club at the Elkins Park Library
Mondays, November 4 & 18 @ 6:30 to 8:00 pm
You are invited to join a summer chess club for young players! We meet twice a month on Mondays from 6:30–8 pm. Tom Petersen (long time Cheltenham resident and father of three) runs the club, teaching new players and facilitating matches. All skills are welcome. **Ages 7 to 13.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

D&D Club at the Glenside Library
Tuesdays, November 5 & 19 @ 7:00 to 9:00 pm
A new adventure begins! Starting at level 1, this adventure will run every other week as we delve into new dungeons and perhaps even face a dragon! **For ages 11 to 18!** REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Please register each attendee separately. New players are welcome at each session. We'll catch everyone up before jumping in!

Creative Writing Club @ Glenside Library
Thursdays, November 7 & 21 @ 5:00 to 6:30 pm
Join our new teen creative writing club! Each week, we will discuss a new topic and practice relevant writing techniques. Writers can work on poetry, short stories, or longer-form projects like novels or ideas for comics, TV shows, animation, games, or movies. This month, we will talk about the basics of storytelling and starting NaNoWriMo. **Ages 13 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Coding Creatives @ Elkins Park Library
Wednesday, November 13 @ 5:00 to 6:00 pm
Welcome all coding enthusiasts! This club provides a time & space for teens who want to practice their computer science skills or learn new languages. We will have fun games, challenges, and resources to try. This is a drop-in session where kids work at their own pace, so bring your friends and have fun! We have iPads, but feel free to bring your own computers, tablets, or phones to use as well. **Ages 10 to 16.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Virtual Drawing Class with Anita Thompson (Zoom)
Thursday, November 14 @ 6:30 pm
Come join us for an art class! Through this instructed tutorial, Participants will follow step-by-step to draw an autumn field mouse using pencil and black ink pen. Zoom link will be sent prior to the class. Limited supplies are available for pick up at the Glenside Free Library. **For teens & adults.** REGISTRATON REQUIRED.

Teen Advisory Board at the Elkins Park Library
Saturday, November 16 @ 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Join our Teen Advisory Board, and design fun programs, order books for the YA collection, prepare for outreach opportunities, and other fun activities. We are recruiting new members this fall! **Ages 12 to 18.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Teen Benefit Concert at the Elkins Park Library
Saturday, November 16 @ 5:00 to 6:30 pm
Join us for an inspiring evening of music at the Elkins Park Library! Listen to the incredible talents of local Cheltenham students while financially supporting the Cheltenham Township Libraries through food and beverage sales. All proceeds will be donated to the library. This program was created, produced, and run by teens so please show them your support and enjoy this concert of accomplished musicians! **All ages.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Girls Who Code @ Elkins Park Library
Wednesday, November 20 @ 5:00 to 6:00 pm
Girls Who Code is coming to Elkins Park Library! This monthly club will provide fun and friendly coding experiences, new activities each session, and a chance for girls/nonbinary kids to learn about opportunities in digital careers. We have iPads, but feel free to bring your own computers, tablets, or phones to use as well. **Ages 10 to 16, girls & nonbinary only.** REGISTRATION REQUIRED.