

Raise a Reader

Raise your child to be a reader with help from the Highland Park Public Library. A child's mind develops at an incredible rate during the first three years of life. Early experiences with language and books contribute to healthy brain development and lay the foundation for later reading success. The library can show you how to nurture your child's emergent literacy skills before he or she enrolls in school. It's never too early to start--let us help!

Baby Booktime -- Birth to Walking

For newborns to walkers with parent or caregiver

Introduce your baby to the sounds and rhythms of language with stories, music and rhymes. Delight and stimulate your baby's senses and build a foundation for a lifelong love of books and reading. Each class will end with a ½ hour of play featuring age-appropriate toys and time for socialization.

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. On the second and fourth Friday of every month.

Free! Registration required

2016 Sessions

Summer: July 8 - September 23

Fall: October 14 - December 23, Registration begins Monday, August 22

[Click here to register](#)

First Steps -- Walking to 2 ½ Years Old

For walking toddlers to 2 1/2 year-olds with parent or caregiver

Enjoy an interactive storytime with picture books, songs, fingerplays, puppets, and parachute play. Nurture your toddler's love of books and encourage him or her to learn numbers, colors,

sounds, and new words. Each class will end with a half hour of play and time to meet other parents, caregivers, and toddlers.

9:15 - 10:00 a.m. or 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. Sign up for the first & third Tuesday OR the first & third Friday of every month.

Free! Registration required

2106 Sessions:

Summer: July 1 - September 20

Fall: October 4 - December 20, Registration begins Monday, August 22

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Tales for Tots -- Ages 2 ½ to 3 ½

For ages 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 with parent or caregiver

Give your preschooler a head start with this program packed with great stories, puppets, flannel boards, music and rhymes. Share this storytime together, and build language and listening skills.

10:00 - 10:30 a.m. Mondays or Thursdays

Free! Registration required

2016 Sessions:

Fall: September 19 - November 3, Registration begins Monday, August 22

[Click here to register](#)

Storytime Live -- Ages 3 ½ to 6

For ages 3 1/2 to 6

Drop off your independent preschoolers or kindergartners for a special storytime! They will enjoy great stories, puppets, flannel boards, music and activities that foster pre-reading skills, broaden social skills and encourage a love of books.

10:45 - 11:15 a.m. Mondays or 1:30 - 2:00 p.m. Thursdays

Free! **Drop in class. No registration necessary!**

2016 Sessions:**Fall:** September 19 - November 3

[Click here for calendar](#)

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