

Library Services Update

August – September 2025

Library Advisory Board

October 28, 2025



Program Highlights



Welcome to Kindergarten
Storytime: 44



Back to School Shoe Charms:
27



Ask an Arborist: 17

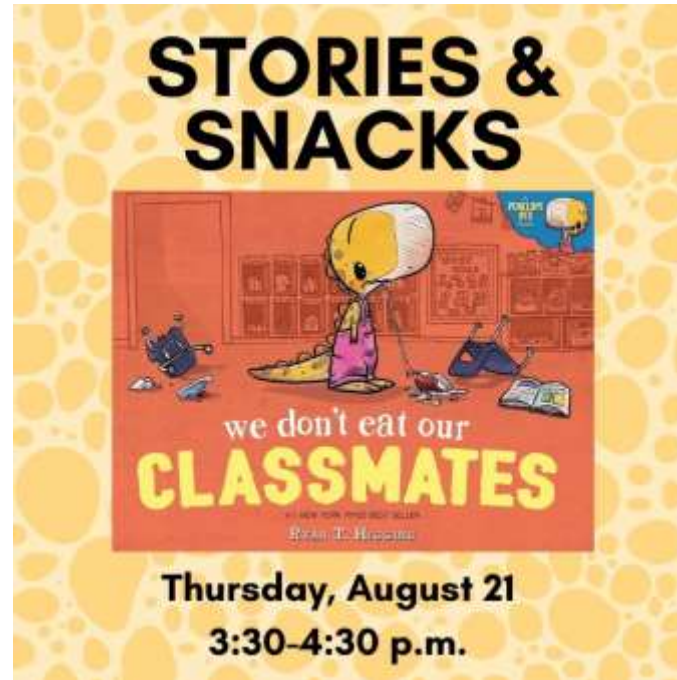
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Creativity Art Studio for Kids
Thank you for thinking about all the beautiful creatures who will love their awesome and fabulous hotels!! 🐛🐜🐞



Insect Hotels with Texas
Master Naturalists: 34



Stories & Snacks: 23



Play & Learn Workshop: 33

Program Highlights



Children's Art Day: 39



Teen Lounge: 47
(4 sessions)



Read with Indy: 29
(2 sessions)

Program Highlights



Erica Danielle
We had so much fun!!!! Thank you for hosting!



Skins & Skulls with Cleburne
State Park: 17



Left on Read...an Introvert's
Book Club: 2

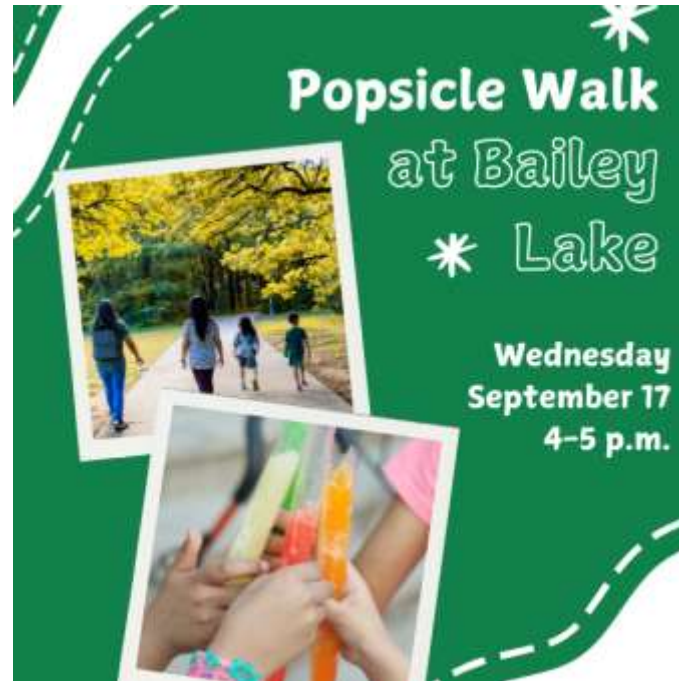


Stories & Snacks: 37

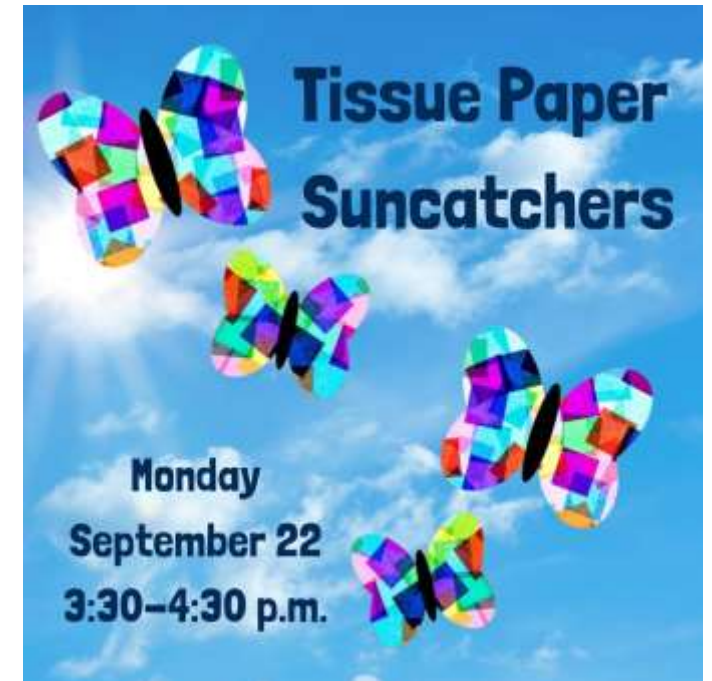
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Pop-Up Play and Learn: 45



Popsicle Walk at Bailey Lake:
21



Tissue Paper Suncatchers: 38

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All the Bells & Whistles: 21



Hispanic Heritage
Celebration: 8



Fall Button Bouquet: 24



Joan Brundy Coubarous

It was fantastic! Thank you Friends. Thank you Amy! 🍪🍪

Storytimes



Average attendance

Baby: 39
Toddler: 78
Preschool: 35
Evening: 24
Saturday: 10

Special Guest Storytimes



Monday, August 4, 6 p.m.
Wanda Bullard, HR Deputy Director
Wednesday, August 6, 9:30 a.m.
Daniel Shafer, Parks and Athletics Manager
Thursday, August 7, 9:30 a.m.
Justin Scharnhorst, Dep. Director of Public Works
Friday, August 8, 9:30 a.m.
Alex Conner, Recruitment and Retention Specialist



Community Events & Outreach



Meet the Teacher: Kerr
Middle School



Meet the Teacher: STEAM
Middle School

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Be Healthy Run

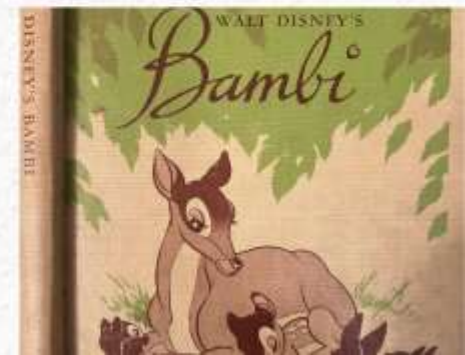
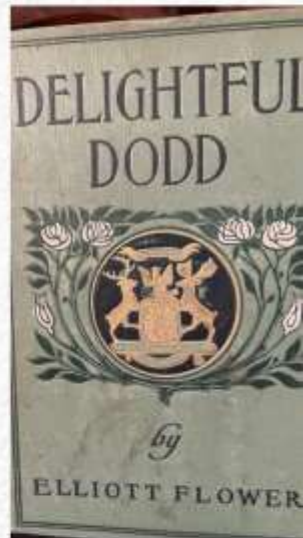


Trash Bash

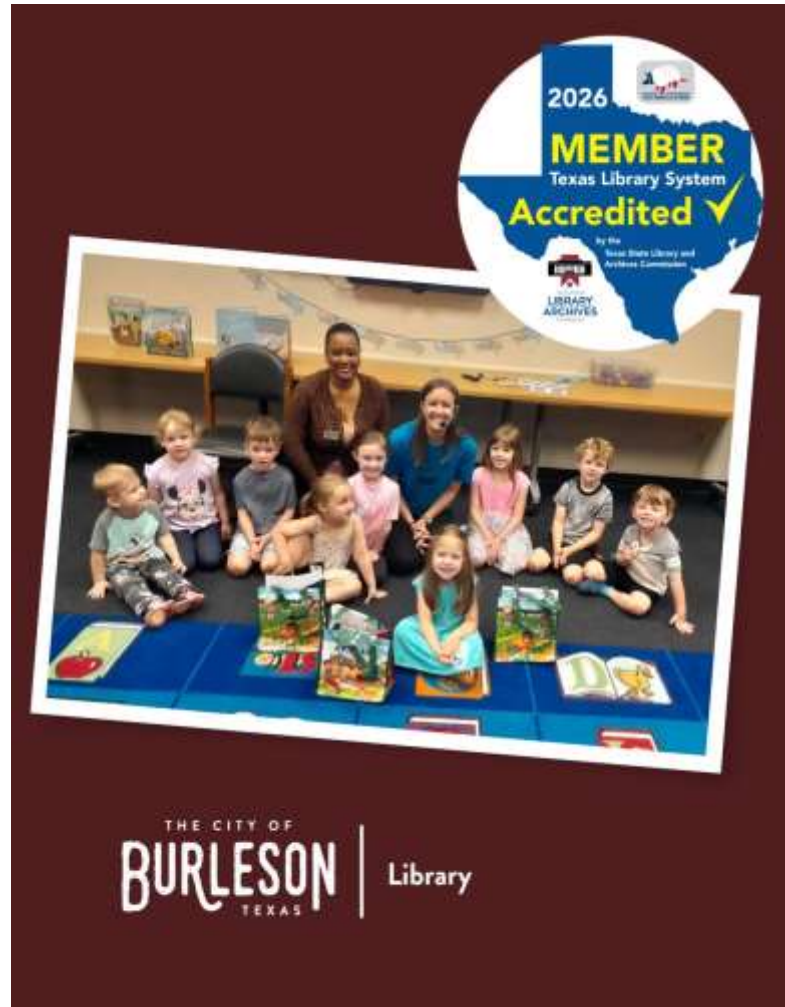
Russell Farm Special Collection

Nearly 600 rare and vintage books—some dating back to the late 1800s—are now fully cataloged and ready to explore online!

Donated to the City of Burleson by the Boren family in 2023, these books don't circulate, but you can browse the catalog anytime and make an appointment to see them in person.



Library Accredited for FY2026



To earn accreditation, the library must meet statewide criteria for services, collections, staffing, and budget.

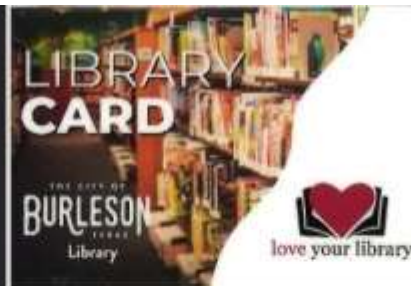
Accreditation ensures the library's eligibility for valuable statewide programs, including interlibrary loan, TexShare cards and databases, and the ability to order Collaborative Summer Library Program materials. It also allows staff to apply for state grant funding.

- 2024: Library Cooperative Grant (\$75,000, MetroShare Libraries) Library of Things, courier service
- 2023: Library Cooperative Grant (\$74,000, MetroShare Libraries) circulation software/catalog, courier service
- 2022: Library Cooperative Grant (\$75,000, MetroShare Libraries) circulation software/catalog implementation, courier service
- 2022: Community Advancement Package Grant (\$7,535) outreach supplies, book carts
- 2020: TexTreasures Grant (\$25,000) newspaper digitization

FY25
Totals



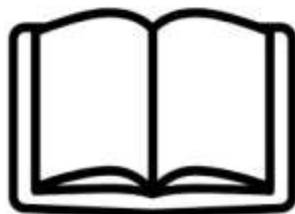
90,569
digital downloads +10%



2,925
cards issued +2%

14,107

Wi-Fi sessions +33%



231,261
physical items checked out -2%

217,579
visitors +8%



Questions/Comments

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