

Monthly Report - Overview for Mar 2026

Locations on this report: Grand Rapids Area Library

Checkout

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
1st Time	8925	6581	35	9689	-8	22656	27815	-19
Phone Renewal	100	108	-8	269	-63	358	590	-40
Renewal	105	118	-12	121	-14	326	439	-26
Opac Renewal	770	536	43	702	9	1819	1706	6
Offline 1st Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dayend Auto Renew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9900	7343	34	10781	-9	25159	30550	-18

Checkout Stock Rotation

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
1st Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phone Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opac Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline 1st Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dayend Auto Renew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Checkin

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
Normal	7986	6257	27	9026	-12	20050	25069	-21
Late	1575	1386	13	1691	-7	4779	4989	-5
Offline Normal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline Late	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9561	7643	25	10717	-11	24829	30058	-18

Requests Placed

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
Placed	1662	1314	26	1940	-15	4620	6091	-25
Total	1662	1314	26	1940	-15	4620	6091	-25

Requests Resolved

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
Cancelled	86	66	30	126	-32	231	377	-39
Filled	2681	2275	17	2763	-3	7319	8640	-16
Expired	9	4	125	1	800	20	13	53
Total	2776	2345	18	2890	-4	7570	9030	-17

Holdings Resolved

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
Picked Up	1634	1271	28	1749	-7	4381	5537	-21
Cancelled	2	3	-34	4	-50	11	9	22
Expired	98	108	-10	100	-2	363	348	4
Total	1734	1382	25	1853	-7	4755	5894	-20

Overdues

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
1st Notice	536	428	25	661	-19	1551	1637	-6
2nd Notice	6	5	20	3	100	16	15	6
3rd Notice	0	0	0	1	-100	1	5	-80
4th Notice	0	1	-100	0	0	1	4	-75
5th Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-100
Final Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Notice # 7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Notice # 8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Notice # 0	134	190	-30	134	0	509	599	-16
Total	676	624	8	799	-16	2078	2261	-9

Borrower Delta

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	61	31	96	87	-30	126	240	-48
Deleted (Manual)	1	2	-50	8	-88	4	21	-81
New (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	62	33	87	95	-35	130	261	-51

Bib Delta

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	134	125	7	94	42	352	363	-4
Deleted (Manual)	129	358	-64	91	41	645	1666	-62
New (Batch)	36	91	-61	42	-15	267	88	203
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	299	574	-48	227	31	1264	2117	-41

Auth Delta

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Manual)	1	2	-50	14	-93	5	16	-69
New (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	2	-50	14	-93	5	16	-69

Item Delta

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	379	429	-12	355	6	1083	1183	-9
Deleted (Manual)	51	774	-94	135	-63	1442	2967	-52
New (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	430	1203	-65	490	-13	2525	4150	-40

Acquisitions Activities

Description	Mar 2026	Feb 2026	%chg	Mar 2025	%chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	%chg
Lines Ordered	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Items Ordered	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lines Received	289	162	78	177	63	629	504	24
Items Rcvd by Ven	295	163	80	185	59	654	516	26
Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	584	325	79	362	61	1283	1020	25

Grand Rapids Area Library

Reference Statistics

March 2026

	March	YTD 2026
Door Count	4,653	11,248
Reference Questions	162	435
Computer Help Over 5 Minutes	20	42
Tests Proctored	2	4
Public Computer Use: Sessions	183	435
Public Computer Use: Hours	149	346
Special Computer Sessions	127	285
Passports Accepted	65	175

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 Last day of Feb 227530	2 227815 285 6	3 228152 337 6	4 228443 291 3	5 285 Mon 337 Tue 291 Wed 913	6	7 15	
8 Daylight Saving	9 228766 323 5	10 229055 289 3	11 229442 387 ④	12 323 Mon 289 Tue 387 Wed 999	13	14 12	
15	16 counter died 300(est) 6	17 St. Patrick's Day 300(est) 4	18 300(est) 4	19 300 Mon 300 Tue 300 Wed *Estimated 900	20 Vernal equinox	21 14	
22	23 229774 1/2 day total 550 0(est)	24 230032 258 0	25 230354 322 ⑥	26 550 Mon*(est) 258 Tue 322 Wed 1130	27	28 6	
29	30 230755 401 13	31 231065 310 5		401 Mon 310 Tue 711		18	
		Notes Last day March 231065 Last day Feb - 227530 <u>3535</u> + estimates = 4,65333				65 passports	

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 15 np/ cl	3 8 np/ cl	4 12 np/ cl	5	6	7 35 np = 26 c = 3
8 Daylight Saving	9 15 np/ cl	10 11 np/ cl	11 13 np/ cl	12	13	14 39 np = 27 c = 5
15	16 9 TP _i np/ cl	17 St. Patrick's Day 8 np/ cl	18 11 np/ cl	19	20 Vernal equinox	21 28 np = 36 c = 5 TP = 1
22	23 8 np/ cl	24 8 TP _i np/ cl	25 10 np/ cl	26	27	28 26 np = 23 c = 2 TP = 1
29	30 23 np/ cl	31 11 np/ cl				34 np = 15 c = 5
		Notes	Total ref ? = 162 Total np = 127 Total c = 20 Total TP = 2			

March in Children's

Howdy-ho peeps! The sun is shining, the sky is blue, and if there was a mountain meadow available, I would be spinning with my arms open wide belting out some version of "The hills are alive..." Why? Because it beats the alternative, and spring is my favorite season. Here are some highlights from March:

- Book time is still attracting the crowds. Yesterday, (3/24/2026) Book Time had 60 participants! Shannon Sweeney and Courtney Gaddie do a phenomenal storytime. I'm grateful for over 3 decades of storytime collaboration with ECFE, and I'm eager to take over the reins in June and July.
- Diana Magner taped Artastic tutorials for both March and April, as she is jetting off to spend a few weeks across the pond. We always have eager people snapping up Artastic kits on the first day they are available.
- I will be taping another set of book reviews for KAXE next week.
- I attended a CLAS (Children's Librarians of the Arrowhead System) meeting this month. These are biannual meetings where we get the majority of area Children's Librarians in the same room. It is outstanding, and energizing, to be surrounded by people who very much understand your challenges...and your successes.
- We had an initial planning meeting for Summer Reading at GRAL.
- The St. Joseph's preschool had their fourth annual Library Day in March. Cindy Eckert, preschool teacher extraordinaire, does a remarkable job holding class in the library's program room. (Their insurance prohibits teachers from transporting students, so, in order to come to the library, other adults have to bring the students.) Each student has a special adult, and they accompany their child into the library for storytime, and then for a special activity comparing fiction and non-fiction books. At the end of their day, they all gather to discuss what they have learned and discovered. It is a day I very much look forward to.

Happy Reading!

GRAL Children's Library Monthly Statistics

March 2026

Artastic

Programs: 1

Facebook plays: 484

YouTube views: 12

Total views: 496

Kits handed out: 150

Programs:

03/03	Book Time	56
03/10	Book Time	39
03/16	Page Turners	7
03/17	Book Time	41
03/18	St. Joe's Preschool	44
03/24	Book Time	60

Total Programs: 6 People: 247

Book Times: 4 People: 196

Library Programs: 1 People: 7

Class Visit: 1 People: 44

Reference Questions 2026: 443

Reference Questions 2025: 431

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 23	3 34	4 24	5 scribble	6 scribble	7 81
8	9 20	10 22	11 32	12 scribble	13 scribble	14 74
15	16 24	17 10	18 42	19 scribble	20 scribble	21 82
22	23 49	24 43	25 17	26 scribble	27 scribble	28 100
29	30 46	31 51				97