

Youth Services at a Glance

April 2026

Teacher Packs- 6

Youth Programs- 28

Youth Attendance- 1752

General Interest Programs- 10

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Youth Highlights

Family Fun

The library was buzzing with family fun in April! For the second year we partnered with Victor Haen Elementary School to offer a Family Night at the library. Bingo is held in the conference room for those who would like to join. Families are also encouraged to explore the library and participate in several passive activities throughout the youth department. The library themed scavenger hunt was a big success, with many attendees checking out extra materials after visiting collections they might not have known we offer.

This year, we collaborated with both Electa Quinney Elementary School and Tanner Early Learning Center to host the Big Cat Connection. Families from both schools were invited to hunt for paw prints, create giant bookmarks, take a family photo in front of our green screen, and grab a snack bag before hitting the road. Many families have children that attend both schools, making this event a great way to create connections.

Kidz Expo

This year, 877 friendly faces stopped by the library booth at the Kidz Expo to test their skills at the obstacle course! Families received a bag of library summer programs from 5 different Fox City libraries, and were encouraged to grab books, pencils, and bookmarks to color at home. Adventure themed buttons were the prize at the end of the obstacle course and many of our big kid friends were delighted to see the giant tunnel and were able to be a part of the fun as well.

Summer Prep

April in the Youth Department means go-time! We prepare for May school visits, where we promote the Summer Learning Program to each 4K through 8th grade classroom in the school district. We plan decorations and props for library displays all summer. We wrap up most of

the recurring programs mid-month and spend time organizing craft supplies and workstations. April is also the time to get a breath in before summer programming begins.



Participants at the Kidz Expo running the obstacle course & families enjoying the last Preschool Storytime this April.