

Youth Services at a Glance

September 2025

Teacher Packs- 2

Youth Programs- 20

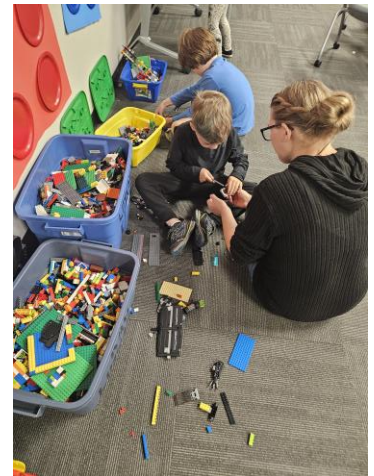
Youth Attendance- 388

General Interest Programs- 9

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Program Highlights

To start off the school year, we added a Lego Club to youth programs on Wednesday evenings. This month, the challenge was to rescue a Lego man in a trash canyon. Teams were instructed to design an escape, but wait- the first plan is foiled! After the teams decided on an alternative idea, they needed to demonstrate their escape. If successful, they then moved on to their free build time. Rescue ideas included a hover plane with an extendable ladder, a dirt bike driver with a steep ramp, a giant trampoline, and, my favorite, a teleporter. The program ended with time for free building, and each attendee can continue adding to their free build throughout the fall program semester.



September marks the return of storytimes at the Kaukauna Public Library and the return of so many library friends! Each week, we host four storytimes in addition to a bi-weekly STEAM-based storytime. We have steady attendance at each offering and continue to see new faces join in the fun. With literacy and circulation in mind, we have curated book bundles complete with stickers and activity sheets to better serve the grown-ups attending storytimes who have limited time to browse for books.

A day was had at the K-pop Demon Hunters Day this month. The library was buzzing all day long with patrons crafting puppets, hunting demons, and taking photos. Poster prizes were a huge hit with our tweens, and attendees of all ages enjoyed K-pop-inspired bookmarks. The conference room featured a listening booth and a karaoke station, and the new garden room was the perfect location for librarian-led charm creations.



Community Outreach & Collaboration

Last spring, we began a collaboration with the 1000 Islands Environmental Center to plant a Three Sisters Garden. The idea was to show the community the possibilities of companion gardening in a small space and highlight the importance of a respectful relationship with the environment by using indigenous knowledge. In many ways, we were successful. This space has been integral for several library programs, and we have harvested the seeds to help stock our seed library. We did encounter a few hiccups along the way that have helped determine a new plan for next spring. We completed our final harvest of squash this month and invited attendees at Little Learners Storytime to learn the beginning process of seed saving.

