YOUTH SERVICES BRIEFING

I transitioned to Youth Services Librarian on November 17 and things have been wild!

24 programs in November with 695 in attendance and 2 teacher packs.

22 programs in December with 709 in attendance and 2 teacher packs.



We started a Librarian Planned Movie pack display in December that ran for 2 weeks.

17 out of 22 bundles checked out!

Each bundle included 2/3 DVDs as well as cocoa packets and popcorn packs.

I attended the ELL family outreach night at Electa Quinney in December and signed 7 new up patrons for library cards.

Students at NDLC completed several community service projects this year, choosing us as a recipient of four giant bags of gently used stuffed animals and books.

Each stuffed animal was paired with a book and will be out for patron adoption on February 4 to promote Take Your Child to the Library Day.



I took some time and connected with the local youth groups, dropping off program fliers at a few organizations and recruiting for several volunteer opportunities. I will continue promoting special events and programs throughout the community quarterly.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Minecraft Night was a huge hit with 58 in attendance! Patrons were so involved with creating their own Perler bead characters and popping into the teen lab to play with their peers. We have had numerous requests for a repeat of this program more than once a year.

Chad Lewis was here and enlightened us with Legends and Lore of Winter drawing 17 patrons into our conference room, and keeping patrons of all ages engaged with stories from around the world.

Dungeons and Dragons Club is off to a running start, each week gaining a few new followers. We anticipate this program to gain even more popularity during the summer!

Dinovember reading challenge encouraged 38 participants to read throughout November, with one lucky winner snagging the giant dino stuffy!

Library of Lights welcomed patrons of all ages to craft and watch the big reveal of lights on December 1 and continued to attract patrons to visit the garden and grab a bird feeder take-and-make all of December.

We hosted two Teen Bingo sessions during winter break. Not a great turnout this time, but we have plans to utilize an alternative program outline and try again this summer!

Exploring Animals with 1000 Islands pulled 40 patrons into the conference room to meet the tortoise and check out some animal pelts.