

Lansing Youth Services
Town Board Report
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Outdoor Cooking Adventures: We are kicking off the new school year with Outdoor Cooking Adventures. This program takes a blended approach to enjoying the Nature Center with woodland games and daily cooking over the campfire. The group began with roasting marshmallows over the coals for a delicious desert. Fire Safety is very important. Youth are taught about cooking-specific fires and how to select a safe cooking location. The plans are for the group to make a main dish and side dish at each program, as well as making time for some fun games. 10 youth served.

Game On! The ever-popular Game On program is back and there are a lot of students ready for gaming. Chess has been by far the most popular game and students are teaching others how to play. Some participants are beginning Magic the Gathering matches and learning the game Dominion. The group always loves Connect Four and a tournament is being planned for the coming weeks. 10 youth served

Crafter's Corner: Crafter's Corner will take place through the beginning of December. Youth will once again take part in the Lansing Artisan Fair selling the arts and crafts they make in the program. The group is excited to learn the business side of things early on this year, tracking the progress of our inventory for the event will be added to the program content this year. 8 youth served.

Mad Science: Mad Science will consist of hands-on experiments at the school, youth will also enjoy several field trips to local and regional museums. The group has started with Rube Goldberg machines, learning about simple machines and how to connect them. This will transition to Keva planks, exploring the same mechanisms and culminate with a trip to the Sciencenter, which currently has simple machines as their main exhibit. 10 youth served.

Youth Employment: The youth employees are still hard at work at the Lansing Public Library where they continue to improve their customer service, management of records, and sharpen their workplace professional skills. LYS Assistants will begin with LYS programs in the coming weeks to hone their youth development skills and the High School placements will get their organizational and record management skills in practice soon. 12 youth served.

Visit ccetompkins.org/4h/rys/lansing for more information and to sign up for programs.