

Library Report

Dates included: February 1, 2026 – February 28, 2026

Circulation Statistics: 4,632 Checkouts

Cards issued: 113 total new cards | 54 in-person cards | 59 website sign-ups

Materials Added: 155 Items Value: \$3,577.33

Materials Weeded: 36 Items Value: \$360.37

Overdrive Circulation – 3,796 eBooks, 3,672 eAudiobooks, and 646 eMagazines

Overdrive New User Registrations – 60 new users

Total number of visitors: 2,489

Total number of computer users: 158

Total number of reference questions: 725

Meeting Room reservations: 30

Program totals: 36 Total Programs:

Family – 1 | Preschool – 18 | School Age – 1 | Teen – 1 | Adult – 6 | Outreach/Off-Site – 8 | Passive – 1

Total Participation: 712 Total

85 Giveaways sponsored by Literacy Lubbock

402 Babies/Toddlers (0-5) | 24 Children (6-11) | 6 Teens (12-18) | 280 adults | Passive – 95

Volunteer Hours: 19:18 hours

Over the past month, library staff have been preparing for our annual Summer Reading Program. This year's state theme is dinosaurs, with the slogan "Unearth a Story." In anticipation of increased circulation during the summer months, we have focused on collection development by removing outdated materials and adding new titles, focusing heavily on juvenile and teen collections.

Taylor and I have also been meeting individually with each staff member, both part-time and full-time, as every employee will be responsible for planning and delivering at least one program this summer. During these meetings, we are reviewing updates to this year's program, discussing expectations for program quality, and providing training on the app patrons will use to log their reading. As our library continues to grow, it is essential that all staff are prepared to support community programming and outreach. Because summer is our largest outreach effort of the year, we are working closely with each team member to ensure they feel confident and equipped to uphold our standards.

We will officially launch the Summer Reading Program with a community-wide kickoff event on Friday, May 29th at Patterson Park. The event will include food trucks, a Bigfoot Foam Party, outdoor family games, and staff available to help patrons register for the reading challenge. Our goal is to offer a fun and engaging experience that encourages literacy during the months when school is out, supporting early literacy development and helping prevent the "summer slide" many students experience during extended academic breaks. Research consistently shows that summer reading

strengthens comprehension, expands vocabulary, and maintains academic skills so that students return to school ready to learn. Our goal is to prepare all of our readers to be successful both now in in school, and as they grow into adults. Our children are the future leaders of our community, and we want them to have all the tools they need to be the best they can be.