



Preschool & Child Care Services

Guidelines for Teachers 2021-2022
from the Mount Prospect Public Library

We're Here to Assist You!

For questions or to arrange visits, please contact Mary Smith at msmith@mppl.org until mid-October. Starting mid-October, please contact Katie Duncan at kduncan@mppl.org. Both Mary and Katie can be reached at 847-590-3320.

Mount Prospect Public Library

10 South Emerson Street, Mount Prospect, IL 60056
847-253-5675 • www.mppl.org

Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sunday 12-6 p.m.

Storytime Visits

Virtual, outdoor, and in-person storytimes for toddlers and preschoolers are available September through May.

Two visits may be scheduled for each age group. At certain times of the year, the schedule may allow for additional visits.

To schedule, please call 847-590-3320.



Getting Books from the Library

Check out materials on your preschool's or child care center's library card! Teachers can pick up and drop off materials in the library or use the Parking Lot Pickup service.

The library has many services and programs to support your lessons.

Book Bag Service

Complete the online request form at bit.ly/MPPLbookbag or contact us at bookbag@mppl.org or 847-590-3320.

- Please allow 72 hours to process.
- Check out bags for 3 weeks. Renewals may be possible by notifying the library in advance of due date.
- Bags contain 20-25 items but may be limited based on high-demand items.
- One bag per teacher at a time.
- Teachers may come to the library to choose materials using the school's account.



Please submit a request at least 72 hours before the bag is needed via:

- online form at bit.ly/MPPLbookbag
- phone 847-590-3320
- email bookbag@mppl.org

- PebbleGo by Capstone
 - Bookflix from Scholastic
 - E-books from Overdrive
 - StoryCove Folk and Fairytales
- Go to bit.ly/MPPLEkids



Online Resources!

1,000 BOOKS Before Kindergarten!

As teachers, you know that reading aloud to your students helps them develop important pre-literacy skills that provide a solid foundation for learning to read. The library can help make reading aloud even more fun by providing classroom charts to track your progress and fun incentives for your students along the way. Classrooms that read 1,000 books receive a free classroom book and book bag for the teacher.



Programs & Activities

Ready-to-Go Storytimes



The library has Storytime Bags that can be requested as part of the Book Bag service. These kits contain information that helps pre-schoolers

learn important pre-reading skills.

Each kit contains eight books, a flannel story, a musical CD, a game or toy, information on early literacy skills, and a selection of activity sheets to send home with the children. Storytime Bags can be checked out for three weeks; holds and renewals are allowed. These kit themes are available:

- ▶ Bathtime
- ▶ Bugs
- ▶ Clothing
- ▶ Food
- ▶ Happy Birthday
- ▶ On the Farm

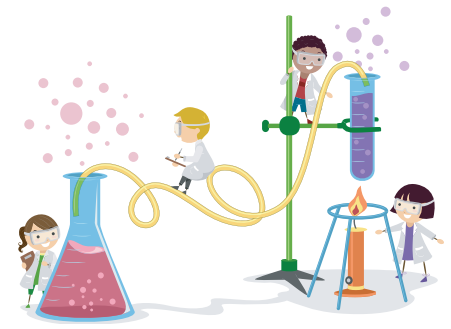
Tech Time Totes

Tech Time Totes are created to provide quality tips and materials for children and adults to use together. Doing so will help children develop a healthy relationship with technology. These kits can be checked out for three weeks; holds and renewals are allowed. These kit themes are available:

- ▶ Animals
- ▶ Colors
- ▶ Leaping Into Reading
- ▶ Letters
- ▶ Numbers
- ▶ On the Move
- ▶ Shapes
- ▶ Silly Stories
- ▶ Transportation

STEAM Kits

Are you looking for more STEAM activities to do with your students? You can check out STEAM Kits as part of the Book Bag service. Each kit contains a book and a manipulative. STEAM Kits can be checked out for three weeks; holds and renewals are allowed. These kit themes are available:



- ▶ Binoculars
- ▶ Insects—Four different insect specimens
- ▶ Weight & Volume—Use balance buckets to test, measure, and compare objects
- ▶ Reptangles—Assemble your own geometric masterpiece
- ▶ Building with Keva Planks
- ▶ Tracing—Write, trace, or draw your favorite designs then press a button and do it again with a Boogie Board Play n’Trace
- ▶ Drums
- ▶ Tangrams
- ▶ Bird Sounds



Show Us Your Art!

We would love to showcase your students’ artwork on the the library’s bulletin board. To schedule your display, contact us at bookbag@mpl.org