Tell us what you think!

Every five years, the Marion County Public Library System devises a new strategic plan to help guide library decision making.

An important part of our strategic plan is you, the citizens of Marion County!

We want your feedback, so we’ve created a survey that allows you to let us know what we’re doing well, how we can improve, and what you’d like to see us do in the future! To access the 2019 library survey, please visit mcpls.org or follow this direct link: http://bit.ly/mcpls19

Physical copies will also be provided at all of our locations.

We are so grateful for the opportunity to serve Marion County, and to continue to improve and expand our offerings in the years to come!
Bestsellers

18th Abduction by James Patterson
The A List by J.A. Jance
Before We Were Wicked by Eric Jerome Dickey
Celtic Empire by Clive Cussler
Crucible by James Rollins
The Department of Sensitive Crimes by Alexander McCall Smith
The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See
Machines Like Me by Ian McEwan
Miracle at St. Andrews by James Patterson
Neon Prey by John Sandford
Outside Looking In by R. Coraghessian Boyle
Over The Fence by Mary Monroe
Redemption by David Baldacci
Someone Knows by Lisa Scottoline
Stone Bridges by Carla Neggers
Triple Jeopardy by Anne Perry
Two Weeks by Karen Kingsbury
Willing to Die by Lisa Jackson

Inspiredal

A Groom for Ruby by Emma Miller
Half In by Shelly Shepard Gray
Half Finished by Lauraine Snelling
The Highest of Hopes by Susan Anne Mason
Hurricane Season by Lauren Denton
Stairs House by Rachel Hauck
Outbreak by T. Davis Bunn
The Patient One by Shelly Shepard Gray
The Refuge by Ann H. Gabhart
A Tender Hope by Amanda Cabot
The Tender Box by Beverly Lewis
Two Weeks by Karen Kingsbury
An Unexpected Amish Romance by Patricia Davids
Verity by Lisa Dawn Bergren

Misc. Fiction

The American Agent by Jacqueline Winspear
Baby of the Family by Maura Roosevelt
The Final Reckoning by Robert Bailey
Gingerbread by Helen Oyeyemi
Horse in the Mirror by Lisa Maxwell
Jimmy by William Malmborg
The Last Year of the War by Susan Meissner
The Library of Lost and Found by Phaedra Patrick
Licensed to Lie by Sidney Powell
Takedown by David Delee
With Intent to Deceive by David Delee

Large Print

18th Abduction by James Patterson
The Amish Sweetshop by Emma Miller
Celtic Empire by Clive Cussler
Dark Tribute by Iris Johansen
The Department of Sensitive Crimes by Alexander McCall Smith
The Girl They Left Behind by Roxanne Veletzos
A Letha Legacy by Heather Graham
Miracle at St. Andrews by James Patterson
The Patient One by Shelly Shepard Gray
Redemption by David Baldacci
A Tender Hope by Amanda Cabot
The Tender Box by Beverly Lewis
Two Weeks by Karen Kingsbury
Wild Card by Stuart Woods

Non-Fiction

The Bloated Belly Whisperer by Victor Davis Hanson
Free Refills by Peter Grinspoon
On Pills and Needles by Rick Van Warner
The Path Made Clear by Oprah Winfrey
Hashimoto’s Food Pharmacology by William W. Li
What to Eat When by Michael Roizen
The Ultimate Pet Health Guide by William W. Li
Eat to Beat Disease by William W. Li
The Fifth Risk by Michael Lewis

Juvenile / Teens

Echo North by JoAnna Ruth Meyer
Endless Quest: Escape the Underdark by Matt Forbeck
Field Notes on Love by Jennifer Smith
Heroine by Mindy McGinnis
Sherwood by Meagan Spooner
Sal and Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Alberto Pablo Hernandez
The Universal Laws of Marco by Carmen Rodriguez

Graphic Novels

Action Comics #1000
Batman vs. Robin
Big Nate: Payback Time by Lincoln Peirce
Bingo Love by Tee Franklin
Captain Marvel Prelude
Cirque du Freak Volumes 1-8
Dawn and the Impossible Three
Baby-Sitters Club #5
Old Man Logan Volumes 1-10
Wonder Woman 8: Dark Gods

For a lengthy list of new releases for children, please visit mcpl.org!
**Sewing:**

**Fairmont**

Join us to make a pouch to store your sunglasses! Please bring 1 fat quarter of fabric (or two if you would like coordinating prints). Some festive fabric will also be provided. All other supplies including the sewing machines will be provided.

Limited to 6 people per class, call 304-366-1210 to sign up, or follow one of these links:

- Wednesday, April 17:

- Wednesday, April 24:

**3D Printing:**

**Fairview:**

For those of you looking to experience the exciting world of 3D printing, Mr. Ory will be hosting “Eggs-traordinary 3D Printing”

Participants ages 10 and up will get to try their hand at creating a 3D Easter Egg that will be brought to life by our Jelly Box 3D printer. Since space is limited, registration is required. We hope to see you there!

- Tuesday, April 16:

**Robotics: Fairmont**

**Pull-Robot:** Join us to experiment with using Lego robotics. Suitable for children in grades 3 through 5, or for families to do together. We will be using Lego WeDo’s to create a robot that can pull some objects placed in his basket! This is a great introductory lesson for those who have not done Lego Robotics before, but may be a repeat class for those who have. Limited to 20 people.

- Monday, April 29:
- Tuesday, April 30:

**Tech Time with Keith: Mannington**

**Thursdays at 3:30 pm**

3D Printing, Lego Robotics, and more! Free STEAM programming for Middle Schoolers every Thursday at 3:30 pm. Please contact the Mannington Public Library at 304-986-2803 for more information.

**1-on-1 Tech Help:**

**Mannington**

**Thursdays at 2 pm**

Adults can get hands on help during our 1-on-1 Technology Time! Meeting every Thursday at 2 pm: this is a designated time for adults to get help with their mobile devices.

**Fairmont (NEW!)**

**Fridays at 12 pm**

Adults can get hands on help during our 1-on-1 Technology Time! Meeting every Friday at 12 pm: this is a designated time for adults to get help with their mobile devices.

**Upcoming Classes**

For more information about upcoming classes as they are scheduled, visit this link: [mcpls.org/library-events](http://mcpls.org/library-events)
**Friends Book Sale**

NEW TIME! The Friends of the Library Book Sale returns April 6! Join us from 10 am—2 pm for great deals on hardback books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and more! $3 a bag!

Classroom teachers can receive children's books for free!

**LitWits Book Club**

The LitWits book club will take place on the Website/App Goodreads. This will allow patrons from ALL of our branches to come together to discuss a common book from the comfort of their couch! April's book is *Snap* by Belinda Bauer!

To check out the eBook or audiobook, visit hoopla digital!

“Snap is a gripping novel about a teenage boy's hunt for his mother's killer. Jack's in charge, said his mother as she disappeared up the road to get help. ... But their mother doesn't come back.” -Grove Atlantic

The book club can be found on bit.ly/litwits or by searching for the group “LitWits Book Club Marion County Public Library WV” on goodreads.com or the Goodreads app. We look forward to chatting with you!

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Mike at 304-366-1210, extension 118, or at jmike@mcpls.org.

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**Artible**

Join us to create a Robin's nest painting on Friday, April 5 at 5 pm!

Materials needed: Acrylic paints: Black, blue, white, brown, purple, yellow ochre, green Brushes: large flat, round, angled, filbert

Registration required, please sign up by phone or at http://bit.ly/2ThdYgK

**Adult Craft Class**

The Adult Craft Class will be meeting Tuesday, April 16 at 5 pm to make a string art owl! All materials will be provided.

Registration required: http://bit.ly/2HFH0Ft

**‘Tween the Pages**

Students in grades 5-8: We'll be meeting Monday, April 15 at 3:30 pm to discuss *Book of Boy* by Catherine Gilbert Murdock. Stop by the front desk to check out a copy!

**Awesome Readers Club**

Teens: We'll be meeting Monday, April 15 at 5 pm to discuss *Two Can Keep a Secret* by Karen M. McManus

Stop by the front desk to pick up your copy of the book!
Eggs-traordinary 3D Printing

Mr. Ory is presenting “Eggs-traordinary 3D Printing” on April 16th at 5:30 pm for patrons ages 10 and up. Participants will get to create their very own 3D Easter Eggs during this session.

Registration is required and can be completed at http://bit.ly/2W8b2Vy or by calling the library. We hope to see you there!

Bloomin’ Programs

April is yet another busy month for children’s programming. Toddler Time and Story Hour patrons can get in on the fun with “Down on the Farm,” “Showers Bring Flowers,” “Hoppy Easter,” and “A Day at the Park.” Fairview Elementary’s “Circle Time” groups will be treated to more silly picture books, Black Lagoon adventures, and Timmy Failure.

Our coloring workshop for this month is “Reading Makes Me ‘Hoppy’!

Egg-cellent Activities

It’s that time of year again – time for our “Hunting a Good Book” adult program. From April 1st to April 30th, participants can choose a wrapped book (each featuring a different colored Easter Egg sticker) from our current display. Each sticker corresponds to a matching plastic Easter Egg, and inside the egg is a small prize. At the end of the program, all entrants’ names will be placed in a drawing for a chance to win a special gift.

Bean There, Done That

The Circulation Desk guessing game this month is “Bean There, Done That.” Estimate how many Starburst jellybeans are in the jar, be the closest without going over, and win!

What Do You Know About That? Trivia Contest

On April 25 from 10 am – 4 pm, it’s the “Animal Planet Edition” of our monthly trivia contest. The contestant with the most correct answers about pets and Earth Day wins a prize.

Speaking of Books

Our monthly book club, “Speaking of Books,” returns on April 23 at 4 pm to review East of the Mountains by David Guterson.

“From the author of Snow Falling on Cedars comes this bestselling novel about a dying man’s final journey through a landscape that has always sustained him and provided him with hope and challenges.

When he discovers that he has terminal cancer, retired heart surgeon Ben Givens refuses to simply sit back and wait. Instead he takes his two beloved dogs and goes on a last hunt, determined to end his life on his own terms. But as the people he meets and the memories over which he lingers remind him of the mystery of life’s endurance, his trek into the American West becomes much more than a final journey. –Amazon

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National Library Week

April 7 – 13 is National Library Week, and that means it’s Fine Free Week in the Marion County Public Library System. Be sure to get those overdue library items returned and fines waived!

To further promote National Library Week, our entryway display will feature fiction and nonfiction titles in need of circulation such as CA Belmond’s A Rather Curious Engagement, AH Gabhart’s Murder at the Courthouse, Kristan Higgins’ Good Luck with That, Ina Garten’s Make It Ahead: a Barefoot Contessa Cookbook, and Jeff Zentner’s Goodbye Days. Come in and check ‘em out today!
Saturday Morning Movie @ the Library

A Dog’s Way Home chronicles the heartwarming adventure of Bella, a dog who embarks on an epic 400-mile journey home after she is separated from her beloved human. Rated PG. April 13, 2019 at 11 am, refreshments provided.

Blackshire Art Exhibit
Celebrating National Library Week! April 8-13; special art exhibit from Blackshire Elementary. Please visit the library and enjoy this exhibit showcasing outstanding artwork created by students.

Van Gogh & Goodies
Relax, unwind… get in a flip-flop state of mind! Carol is getting ready for summer with this flip-flop door hanger craft. Join us for Van Gogh & Goodies Adult Crafts on April 15, at 5 pm.

Blackshire Pizza Party
The staff of the Mannington Public Library wishes to celebrate Blackshire’s kindergarten class during the month of April. Anytime a teacher or student visits the library and checks out library materials, we will add one pizza topping for each item checked-out to our large pizza pie on our bulletin board. The homeroom that loads up our pizza with the most toppings will receive a pizza party and a story provided by the Mannington Public Library.

WEEKLY CONTEST! Play every time you visit to win prizes and enter the drawing for the Grand Prize!

Mannington
109 Clarksburg Street
Mannington, WV 26582
304-986-2803

Story Time Fun
Story Time in April is all about crazy hair and the Easter Bunny. And, a little birdie told me Miss Janet is planning something special for National Library Week!

We’re Hooked on Story Time! Learning to read begins before children start school. From the time they are infants, children learn language and other important skills that will help them learn to read. Developing early literacy skills makes it easier for children to learn to read once they begin school.

1-on-1 Tech Help
Adults can get hands on help during our 1-on-1 Technology Time! Meeting at the library every Thursday at 2:00 pm: this is a designated time for adults to get help with their mobile devices.

Tech Time with Keith
3D Printing, Lego Robotics, and more! Free STEAM programming for Middle Schoolers every Thursday at 3:30

Friends of the Library
April Showers bring May flowers and extra reading time! Waiting on a sunny day never got easier. Great READS can be found at the Friends Book, open every week Friday 10-4 and Saturday 9-1.

How the Friends Book Sale supports the Mannington Library:
The Friends are sprucing up the gazebo area for warm weather readers. Thank you, Friends.

Fiction Addiction
Fiction Addiction is books, food and FUN! If you are interested joining this teen book club, pick up a copy of Wild Beauty by Anna-Marie McLemore at the Mannington Public Library and join us April 15 at 3:30 for the book discussion, craft and FOOD!

“For nearly a century, the Nomeolvides women have tended the grounds of La Pradera, the lush estate gardens that enchant guests from around the world. They’ve also hidden a tragic legacy: if they fall in love too deeply, their lovers vanish. But then, after generations of vanishings, a strange boy appears in the gardens. The boy is a mystery to Estrella, the Nomeolvides girl who finds him, and to her family, but he’s even more a mystery to himself; he knows nothing more about who he is or where he came from than his first name. As Estrella tries to help Fel piece together his unknown past, La Pradera leads them to secrets as dangerous as they are magical in this stunning exploration of love, loss, and family.”

Cover 2 Cover
Pick up your copy of What the Eyes Don’t See by Mona Hanna-Attisha at Mannington Library and join the “Cover 2 Cover” book club on Thursday, April 25 at 1:30 p.m.

“The story of how Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, alongside a team of researchers, parents, friends, and community leaders, discovered that the children of Flint, Michigan, were being exposed to lead in their tap water—and then battled her own government and a brutal backlash to expose that truth to the world.”

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Hello All!

April is showering us with the first signs of spring! Signs of new life are everywhere as the birds prepare their nests, the frogs harmonize in the air, and the tree buds show promise of their leafy glory to come. The library is also bustling into the season as new materials spring onto our shelves.

Spring is always a busy time for the library as we wind down our spring programs in anticipation of our popular summer reading events. This year is full of promise for an exciting adventure!

Bunny hop your way into the library and check out all the budding new arrivals!

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**MCPLS Bookmobile**

**Monday**

*Pleasant Valley: 9:30-10:30.* Valley Chapel United Methodist. [1st & 3rd Week]

*Carolina: 1:45-2:45.* Post Office. [1st & 3rd Week]

*Monongah: 10:00-11:00.* Family Dollar. [2nd & 4th Week]

*Hutchinson: 12:30-1:30.* Woodlands Assisted Living. [2nd & 4th Week]

*BCBank: 2:30-3:30 pm.* East Park Avenue. [2nd & 4th Week]

**Tuesday**

*Teleperformance: 12:00-1:00.* Bellview [1st & 3rd Week]

*The Arbors: 2:30-3:30.* 410 Cleveland Avenue [1st & 3rd Week]

*PACE: 11:30-12:30.* Big Lots Plaza (Country Club Road) [2nd & 4th Week]

*Disability Action Center: 2:30-3:30.* 102 Benoni Ave. [2nd & 4th Week]

**Wednesday**

*White Hall: 9:00-10:00.* Middletown Mall [1st & 3rd Week]

*NASA IV & V: 12:00-1:00.* Back Parking Lot [1st & 3rd Week]

*Grant Town: 3:00-4:00.* [1st & 3rd Week]

*White Hall: 10:30-11:30.* Middletown Mall [2nd & 4th Week]

*Farmington: 2:30-3:30.* [2nd & 4th Week]

**Thursday**

*Rock Lake: 2:00-3:00.* Community Center [1st & 3rd Week]

*Colfax: 3:30-4:30.* Community Center [1st & 3rd Week]

*Marion County Senior Center: 11:30-12:30.* Maplewood Drive. [2nd & 4th Week]

*Barrackville: 2:30-3:30.* Dollar General. [2nd & 4th Week]

**Friday**

*Miller School Apartments: 11:00-12:00.* 2 Pennsylvania Avenue [1st & 3rd Week]

*Fairmont Federal Credit Union: 11:00-12:00.* Gateway Connector [1st & 3rd Week]

The Bookmobile also visits the following locations: Sunbeam Early Learning Center, Stepping Stone Inc., and Kidz Connection, as well as a variety of head starts, day cares, Boys and Girls Club locations, and more during the school year.

For an up-to-date calendar of Bookmobile events, please visit [www.mcpls.org/bookmobiles](http://www.mcpls.org/bookmobiles)
**Fairmont**

- April 1-30: LitWits Online Book Club
  - *Snap* by Belinda Bauer
- April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Baby Time (9:15 am)
- April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Toddler Time (10 am)
- April 3, 10, 17, 24: Toddler Time (10 am)
- April 3, 10, 17, 24: Story Hour (4:30 pm)
- April 3, 10, 17, 24: Wednesday Night Tabletop Game Group (5 pm)
- April 4, 11, 18, 25: Story Hour (10:30 am)
- April 4, 11, 18, 25: Toddler Time (4:30 pm)
- April 5, 12, 19, 26: Story Hour (10:30 am)
- April 5, 12, 19, 26: 1-on-1 Tech Help (12 pm)
- April 5: Artible (5 pm)
- April 8-13: Fine Free Week
- April 8-13: National Library Week
- April 8, 13: Discover: 3D Printing (5 pm)
  - Easter Cookie Cutter
- April 9, 30: Circle Time 2
- April 13: Saturday Morning Movie @ the Library: *A Dog’s Way Home*
- April 15: Fiction Addiction (3:30 pm)
  - *Wild Beauty* by Anna-Marie McLemore
- April 15: Van Gogh and Goodies (5 pm)
  - Flip Flop Door Hanging
- April 22-26: NO CLASSES– Spring Break
- April 23: Speaking of Books
  - *East of the Mountains* by David Guterson
- April 25: What Do You Know About That? Trivia Contest
  - Animal Planet Edition

- April 1-30: Hunting a Good Book Adult Reading Program
- April 1-30: Circulation Guessing Game
- April 1, 8, 15, 29: Toddler Time
- April 2, 16: Circle Time 1
- April 3, 10, 17: Wednesday Story Hour
- April 4, 11, 18: Thursday Story Hour
- April 8-13: Fine Free Week
- April 8-13: National Library Week
- April 9, 30: Circle Time 2
- April 16: Discover: Robotics (4:30 pm)
  - Pull-Robot with Lego WeDos
- April 30: Discover: Robotics (4:30 pm)
  - Pull-Robot with Lego WeDos
- May 3: Artible
- May 4: Free Comic Book Day with Superhero Special Guests

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**Join LitWits: our county-wide online book club! bit.ly/litwits**

**FINE FREE WEEK IS APRIL 8-13!**

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**Mannington**

- April 1-30: Kindergarten Pizza Party Time
- April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Story Time (10:30 am)
- April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Story Time (12:30 pm)
- April 3, 10, 17, 24: Story Time (10:30 am)
- April 4, 11, 18, 25: 1-on-1 Tech Time for adults (2 pm)
- April 4, 11, 18, 25: Tech Time (3:30 pm)
- April 5, 12, 19, 26: Friday Friends Book Sale (10 am–4 pm)
- April 6, 13, 20, 27: Saturday Friends Book Sale (9 am–1 pm)
- April 8-13: Fine Free Week
- April 8-13: National Library Week
- April 8-13: Blackshere Art Exhibit
- April 13: Saturday Morning Movie @ the Library: *A Dog’s Way Home*
- April 15: Fiction Addiction (3:30 pm)
  - *Wild Beauty* by Anna-Marie McLemore
- April 15: Van Gogh and Goodies (5 pm)
  - Flip Flop Door Hanging
- April 25: Cover2Cover (1:30 pm)
  - *What the Eyes Don’t See* by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha