

March 2025

Tween/Teen EVENTS GUIDE

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Events for Tweens & Teens

All events happen in Community Room unless noted

Tweens = 9-12 years Teens = 13-18 years

Regular Programs

Saturday of Service (monthly; drop in volunteer opportunity)

Ages 3+ SAT. MARCH 1 | 10 A.M.-12 P.M.

Join us to make Easter cards for local seniors delivered by MAEVE Ridgecrest. Supplies are provided, and you do not have to stay the whole time. Please bring any paperwork to be signed, if needed.

Catch Up Crafts (monthly)

Ages 4+ SAT. MARCH 1 | 12:30-2 P.M.

Stop by to work on a previous craft you might have missed at some point. Feel free to ask about specific crafts in case we still have supplies available.

LEGO Challenge (monthly; different challenges)

Ages 6+ SAT. MARCH 1 | 2:30-3:30 P.M.
SAT. MARCH 29 | 2-3:30 P.M.

Stop by to try the different LEGO Challenges we are offering this month OR you can choose to build anything you want instead.
3/1: Marble Maze | 3/29: Flower

Beyond the Book (twice a month)

Ages 3+ TUE. MARCH 4 & WED. MARCH 12 | 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.

Listen to themed picture books and do related activities. In 2025, collect a themed button for attending (as supply lasts)!
3/4 theme: music/rhymes (Read Across America) | 3/12 theme: flowers



In-N-Out Burger Cover to Cover Club is back! Sat 3/1/25 through Sat 4/12/25

Ages 4-12 can read or listen to 5 books or 300 minutes for a free hamburger, cheeseburger, or grilled cheese. Limit 3 per participant, as supply lasts. Log on Beanstack or bring in a book list.

Middle/High School (6th-12th grade)

All events happen in Community Room unless noted
5th grade and younger can attend Build & Chat in Children's Room

Regular Programs

Middle/High School Art Lab (monthly through May)

6th-12th graders WED. MARCH 5 | 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.

6th-12th graders can join us to participate in activities that explore various art concepts, styles and/or techniques. In March, we work with pastels. Build & Chat for 5th graders and younger in the Children's Room.

Middle/High School STEAM Lab (monthly through May)

6th-12th graders WED. MARCH 19 | 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.

6th-12th graders can join us for S.T.E.A.M. related experiments and activities. March features marshmallows! Build & Chat for 5th graders and younger in the Children's Room.

Events for Tweens (age 9-12)

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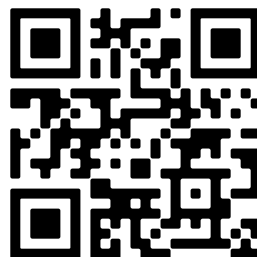
Regular Programs

Tween Time (monthly)

Ages 9-12 SAT. MARCH 8 | 2:30 - 3:30 P.M.

Tweens can join us for snacks and a fun activity of their choice while socializing with other tweens! Feel free to bring snack and activity ideas for future consideration.

Ridgecrest Branch Library Amazon Wish List



Scan the QR code to see what is on our Amazon Wish List for upcoming programs or branch needs. Items are shipped to Bakersfield first and delivered to our branch in our weekly shipments. We appreciate the generous donors who have already purchased items from our Wish List!

Events for Teens

All events happen in the Community Room unless noted

Regular Programs

TEEN Dungeons & Dragons (monthly)

Ages 13-18 TUE. MARCH 11 | 4-6 P.M.

Join our adventurers on a journey to be heroes or cause mischief! Party members are at Level 2 now, so bring a Level 2 character or choose from a variety of pre-made characters available.

TEEN Time (monthly)

Ages 13-18 SAT. MARCH 22 | 2-3:30 P.M.

Teens can stop by and socialize with other teens while enjoying games and snacks. Feel free to bring snack and activity ideas for future consideration.

Special Programs

Color & Chat

Ages 13+ TUE. MARCH 4 & 18 | 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Join us for socializing and coloring, which can help reduce stress.

Collaborative Puzzle Time

Ages 13+ THU. MARCH 6 & 20 | 10:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Collaborate to complete a puzzle in two hours OR try a speed challenge!

Increase Cash Flow & Debt Management

Ages 16+ SAT. MARCH 8 | 1-2 P.M.

Someone from World System Builder will be discussing debt management and how to increase cash flow as part of their 30 by 30 financial literacy program.

Paint by Sticker

Ages 13+ WED. MARCH 12 | 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Enjoy a fun, mess-free activity where the "painting" is done with stickers.

Events for Tweens & Teens

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Book Bingo (monthly)

Ages 3+ FRI. MARCH 7 | 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.

Play to win free books for your home library during Read Across America week. We have prize books for all ages, from babies (board books) to adults.

Unplugged Game Time (monthly)

Ages 3+ TUE. MARCH 18 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Stop by to play our games for 3 year olds to adults! We have classics like Jenga, Candyland, Monopoly, and chess plus Simply Fun games and Exploding Kittens, Clue, Spot It, and Skip-Bo. You can bring a game from home!

Kern Public Health Mobile Clinic (monthly)

All Ages TUE. MARCH 25 | 10:30 A.M.-2 P.M.

The Kern Mobile Health Clinic will be in the dirt lot on the 4th Tuesday offering child and adult immunizations, tuberculosis testing, family planning services including birth control, sexual health services, health screenings, free Narcan with training, and child health exams for 12-18 year olds. No sick visits available. For an appointment, call 661-321-3000 (NOT required; walk-ins accepted).

Pokémon Trading Card Game (monthly)

Ages 6+ TUE. MARCH 25 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Stop by to play Pokémon Trading Card Game and/or trade cards at your risk. We have loaner decks to use and are looking for people who might be interested to teach the game to those who want to learn.

Speed Cubes (monthly)

Ages 6+ THU. MARCH 27 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Are you good at speed cubes? Do you want to learn? Bring your speed cube or use one of our loaner speed cubes (or Rubik's cube) to show us your skills. If you are interested in learning, we will have video links and possibly printouts. We are looking for volunteers to help with instruction and tips.

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Flying Fingers for Sign Language Users (monthly)

Ages 2+ FRI. MARCH 28 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Sign language users (deaf, hard of hearing, or hearing learners) are invited to converse in sign language to socialize and/or practice sign language on our last open Friday of the month. This month's theme is food.

Special Programs

Landscape Art Project

Ages 6+ THU. MARCH 6 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Create a work of landscape art with some minimal guidance. All supplies will be provided. Participants who are 6-10 years old will need an adult helper.

YoYo Tricks & Tournament Practice

Ages 7+ SAT. MARCH 8 & 22 | 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Nationally ranked Jose Madrigal will teach some yo-yo tricks to ages 7 and up to practice for the May tournament. Bring a yo-yo or use a loaner yo-yo.

Let's Build

Ages 1.5+ THU. MARCH 13 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

We will have building sets available in the Children's Room along with an I Can Build It! Architecture Set (aimed at ages 4 and up) in the Makerspace.

Pi Day Fun

Ages 3+ FRI. MARCH 14 | 3:30-5 P.M.

Join us on Pi Day (3.14) for pi-themed activities including bracelet making (with a 3D printed pi bracelet charm) and a pie tasting, as supply lasts.



Stay tuned for additional daytime programs during the SSUSD Spring Break, from April 1 through April 4.

For more event information, visit our website - kclevents.org
Library workshops, performances, and events are FREE and open to the public. We're adding more programs all the time!
At times, programs may be rescheduled or canceled without advance notice.

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Shamrock Hunt

Ages 2+ SAT. MARCH 15 | 10 A.M.-4 P.M.

Stop by to search for a number of shamrocks in our Children's Room with St. Patrick's Day coming up (on March 17). Children who find the number of shamrocks on their search list can get a prize.

Giant Resist Collaborative Art Project

Ages 3+ SAT. MARCH 15 | 1-3:30 P.M.
THU. MARCH 20 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Join us to create a large resist painted art project on canvas panels. The finished panels will be hung in the Children's Room.

Cricut Training Project: Vinyl on a Cup

Ages 10+ WED. MARCH 19 | 11:30 A.M.-1:45 P.M.

Learn how to use a Cricut machine during this training session where we will be placing vinyl designs onto cups! To complete the project, please show up by 1:15 pm. A user agreement and liability waiver MUST be signed (also by a parent/legal guardian for minors) before using the Cricut.

Plant a Flower + Bee Craft with Ridgecrest Regional Hospital

Ages 3+ FRI. MARCH 21 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Sandra Brown with Ridgecrest Regional Hospital's Community Outreach returns with a flower planting and bee craft program.

Paint the Greats

Ages 8+ WED. MARCH 26 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Join us for a fun painting activity where we will be creating artwork inspired by masterpieces from famous artists.

Creative Time: Collage, Draw, Paint

Ages 3+ SAT. MARCH 29 | 11:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M.

Get creative by making a collage, drawing (step-by-step from Easy Peasy and Fun), or painting.