

August 2026

Tween/Teen EVENTS GUIDE

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Events for Tweens & Teens

All events happen in Community Room unless noted

Teen



Ages 13-18 TUE-FRI | 2:45-5:30 P.M.

Teens get EXCLUSIVE access to the YA tables from 2:45 to 5:30 pm on school days. We will have daily paper activities and challenges, games, crafts, trivia, and more. Feel free to suggest things to do. Adult direct support professionals must be

actively engaged with the teen they bring, as we will ask solo adults at the YA tables to find another place to work on laptops and paperwork.

LEGO Challenge

Ages 6+

SAT. AUG 1 | 10:30 AM.-12:30 P.M.
FRI. AUG 7 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.
TUE. AUG 18 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.
THU. AUG 20 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Stop by to try the LEGO Challenge of the day or build anything you want.
8/1 School, 8/7 Animal, 8/18 Food, 8/20 Vehicle

Chess Play & Learn

Ages 8+

SAT. AUG 1 & 15 | 12:00-1:00 P.M.

Our friend Leland will be here to play chess or teach people how to play. We will have additional chess boards available for others to play.

Teen/Adult Coloring Time

Ages 13+

SAT. AUG 1 | 1:30-3:30 P.M.

Teens and adults can color their stress away using a variety of coloring pages.

Unplugged Game Time

Ages 3+

TUE. AUG 4 | 12:00-3:00 P.M.
SAT. AUG 22 | 11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.
TUE. AUG 25 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Stop by to play any of our games. We have a variety from classics (Jenga, Candyland, Chutes & Ladders, chess) to newer games (Shark Bite, Kollide, Uzzle).

Pokémon Play and Trade with Fistful of Cards (monthly)

Ages 6+

TUE. AUG 4 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Bring your 60-card deck or use a loaner deck. A volunteer from Fistful of Cards will be available to teach how to play. Trade at your risk, as we will not monitor trading.

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Crafternoon: Paper Airplanes

Ages 6+

WED. AUG 19 | 3:30-5:00 P.M.

Fold paper airplanes, see how far it can fly and attempt some accuracy challenges.

Book Bingo

Ages 3+

FRI. AUG 21 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Bingo winners choose a book to build a home library or a small prize. We have books for babies through adults. NOTE: We use magnetic bingo chips (potential choking hazard).

Junk Journal Decorating (monthly)

Ages 16+

SAT. AUG 22 | 1:30-3:30 P.M.

Bring a junk journal to decorate with our supplies. We have donated books available for junk journals. Feel free to bring supplies for yourself or to share with others.

Cookie Decorating

Ages 3+

THU. AUG 27 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Stop by to show off your artistic cookie decorating skills. As supply lasts.

Fiber Art Friends (monthly)

Ages 16+

THU. AUG 27 | 5:00-7:00 P.M.

Bring your fiber art project supplies to crochet, knit, macramé, embroider, hand sew, cross stitch, needlepoint, or hand quilt and socialize while crafting.

Comic Books + Crafts

Ages 3+

FRI. AUG 28 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Stop by to read comic books and/or work on some related crafts, like making your own comic book and crafts related to comic book superhero or villain characters.

Meet the Presidents with Immanuel Christian School (monthly)

Ages 13+

SAT. AUG 29 | 10:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Each month, we will learn about one of the presidents of the United States.

For more event information, visit our website - kclevnts.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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Teen Dungeons & Dragons

Ages 13-18 TUE. AUG 11 | 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Join our adventuring party! We have pre-made characters to choose from.

Beyond the Book

Ages 3+ WED. AUG 12 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Listen to some beach themed picture books while working on some beach themed crafts or activities. You can also collect a themed button (as supply lasts)!

Let's Celebrate: International Left Handers Day

Ages 3+ THU. AUG 13 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Left handers, this is your time to shine! Stop by to celebrate International Left Handers Day by doing some activities with your left hand. Take on our left handed challenges, whether you are lefthanded or not!

Fair Still Exhibits Open Art Lab: Collage, Mixed Media, Model Magic, Painting

Ages 6+ FRI. AUG 14 | 3:30-5:30 P.M.
SAT. AUG 29 | 12:30-3:30 P.M.

Attend the Open Art Lab to create a collage, mixed media, Model Magic, or painted project that can be entered in the still exhibits area for the Desert Empire Fair in October. We will have entry forms but will not be responsible for entering any project.

Seed Bingo

Ages 6+ SAT. AUG 15 | 1:30-2:30 P.M.

Bingo winners can choose up to 3 packets of seeds for themselves or for someone else. NOTE: We use magnetic bingo chips which can be a potential choking hazard.

Homeschool Hangout

Ages 3+ TUE. AUG 18 | 12:30-2:00 P.M.

Families using any curriculum to homeschool can attend to network with other homeschool families and discuss learning. Stop by to learn about homeschool options. Basic activities will be offered for kids to socialize while caregivers chat.

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Back to School Crafts

Ages 6+ WED. AUG 5 | 1:00-4:30 P.M.

Stop by to make duct tape pouches to keep things organized and a few different styles of keychain charms to decorate your backpack.

The Healing Grove: Grief Support Group with River Sage Revival

Ages 13+ WEDNESDAYS | 5:30-6:30 P.M.

Weekly space for all forms of loss: death, relationships, identity, health, and major transitions with clinicians from River Sage Revival.

Back to School Cookies

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

Stop by and enjoy a cookie to celebrate the start of a new school year, whether you are starting preschool, elementary, middle school, high school, homeschool, online school, or community college! Cookies available while supply lasts.

Crafternoon: International Cat Day

Ages 3+ SAT. AUG 8 | 11:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Stop by to work on some cat themed crafts to celebrate International Cat Day! We will have a few different options to choose from, so you can do one or all of the cat crafts.

Photo Storytelling with Phodeobug

Ages 8+ SAT. AUG 8 | 1:00-3:00 P.M.

Josh, the photographer behind the lens at Phodeobug Photography will share photos as well as their stories. Landscapes, wildlife, the night sky and more!

General Resume Workshop

Ages 16+ TUE. AUG 11 | 1:00-2:30 P.M.

Learn to create an effective resume for a variety of jobs, along with job searching tips.

Quick STEM Challenge: Tower Building

Ages 6+ TUE. AUG 11 | 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Stop by to try to build the tallest tower you can using only the items/materials provided to you for the challenge. IN THE MAKERSPACE.

Tweens (9-12 yrs) Teens (13-18 yrs)

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HOURS

Sunday
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Monday
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Tuesday-Thursday
10 am to 7 pm

Friday
10 am to 6 pm

Saturday
10 am to 4 pm

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

friday

saturday

4.
12:00-3:00 pm Unplugged
Game Time
3:30-4:30 pm Pokémon Play
& Learn with Fistful of Cards

5.
1:00-4:30 pm Back to School
Crafts
5:30-6:30 pm The Healing
Grove: Grief Support Group
with River Sage Revival

6.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP
Welcome Back
3:30-5:00 pm Back to School
Cookies

7.
12:00-1:30 pm Community
Hangout
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-5:30 pm LEGO
Challenge: Animal

8.
11:00 am-12:00 pm
Crafternoon: International Cat
Day
1:00-3:00 pm Photo
Storytelling with Phodeobug

11.
1:00-2:30 pm General
Resume Workshop
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-4:30 pm Quick STEM
Challenge: Tower Building
4:00-6:00 Teen Dungeons &
Dragons

12.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-4:30 pm Beyond the
Book: Beach
5:30-6:30 pm The Healing
Grove: Grief Support Group
with River Sage Revival

13.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-4:30 pm International
Left Handers Day

14.
12:00-1:30 pm Community
Hangout
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-5:30 pm Fair Still
Exhibits Open Lab

15.
12:00-1:00 pm Chess Play &
Learn
1:30-2:30 pm Seed Bingo

18.
12:30-2:00 pm Homeschool
Hangout
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-5:30 pm LEGO
Challenge: Food

19.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-5:00 pm Crafternoon:
Paper Airplanes
5:30-6:30 pm The Healing
Grove: Grief Support Group
with River Sage Revival

20.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-4:30 pm LEGO
Challenge: Vehicle

21.
12:00-1:30 pm Community
Hangout
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-4:30 pm Book Bingo

22.
11:00 am-1:00 pm Unplugged
Game Time
1:30-3:30 pm Junk Journal
Decorating

25.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-5:30 pm Unplugged
Game Time

26.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
5:30-6:30 pm The Healing
Grove: Grief Support Group
with River Sage Revival

27.
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-4:30 pm Cookie
Decorating
5:00-7:00 pm Fiber Art
Friends

28.
12:00-1:30 pm Community
Hangout
2:45-5:30 pm Teen VIP Time
3:30-5:30 pm Comic Books +
Crafts

29.
10:30 am-12:00 pm Meet the
Presidents with Immanuel
Christian School
12:30-3:30 pm Fair Still
Exhibits Open Lab

SUGGESTED AGES:

3+ yrs

6+ yrs

8+ yrs

13+ yrs

13-18 yrs

16+ yrs

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