

YOUTH PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Library Newsletter

Sign up for the library newsletter to stay up-to-date on all the great events and programs in the youth services department!

Just fill in your contact information, and choose which newsletter you want to receive. There's one just for teens!



Virtual Library Club on Flip!

Do you love reading? Making new friends? Sharing your opinions? Posting your own videos? We do too! But are you also...super busy?

It's hard to find time to meet up in person. So, let's start a book club that meets ANYtime, ANYwhere!



Reading Challenges

Go to ppl.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack Tracker app!

Register for as many reading challenges as you want for the chance to earn prizes for you and for the library!



Nintendo Switch



We have a Nintendo Switch!

You can play the Switch ANYTIME you visit the library.

Switch Saturdays (every Saturday afternoon), big groups get first dibs, so bring your friends for a few rounds of Mario Kart, Mario Party, Super Smash Bros, and Fall Guys!



D&D, Trivia, & Lego Club!



Join our ongoing D&D campaign or start your own. If you're new to D&D, try The Adventure Zone Game! -->

Play Kahoot Trivia for a chance to win a prize (QR Code posted on Facebook and Instagram monthly)!

Build Lego projects together with friends to display in the Maker Space!



Games & Crafts



Check out our Game Shelf when you visit the library! You can play any of the games ANYTIME. Attend a Game Night program if you want to learn to play a new game!

The youth services department always has crafts to do while you visit the library. We have monthly crafts, and we often have craft programs on Saturdays -- see our event calendar for more details!

Event Calendar

Check out our online calendar to see all events and programs happening each month at the library!

We have regular weekly/monthly programs as well as special seasonal programs for everyone to enjoy!



Questions?

Visit us <https://pottstownregionalpubliclibrary.org/>

Email the Youth Services Department:
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To speak with a youth services librarian,
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Beanstack Reading Challenge



What is Beanstack?

Beanstack is a digital platform where participants log their reading and complete activity challenges designed by library staff. There are activities for all ages, babies to adults. Registration is quick and simple, and caregivers can register all their children in one place. Beanstack allows you to log your reading and activities at home and on the go using the Beanstack Tracker app (find the app in your mobile device's app store and download to use).

How do I sign up?

- Go to ppl.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack Tracker app for Android or iPhone
- Click on the "Register an Individual or Family" button
- Fill in your information! If you are registering a child, be sure to enter your information under "Adult Information." Beanstack allows families to be linked together so that all family members can be accessed with one login! To change readers, use the button at the top-right of the screen with one of your family member's name showing. It will give you a dropdown menu, and you can simply toggle between registered family members! You can do this on both the website and app.
- Once you are registered, you will be taken to your account page. This is where you will register for challenges, log your minutes and activities, and track badges you earn.

May I add more than one reader to my account?

Of course! You can set up as many profiles as you like for readers of any age. And if you're a parent who reads aloud to more than one kid at a time, you can credit that reading time to multiple children's accounts with a single click -- no need to log it in separately for each of your avid listeners.

How do I log books/minutes or activities?

- Go to ppl.beanstack.org and login
- Click on "Log Reading and Activities" in the upper left corner or the blue plus sign in the app.
- Follow the prompts on the screen to log whatever you've accomplished.
- When you hit reading landmarks, you will receive badges. Some badges are eligible for prizes or virtual tickets! You can complete as many or as few as you choose.
- There are even easier ways to log with your mobile device described at <https://ppl.beanstack.org/faq>

Can I participate in more than one challenge at a time?

In most cases, YES! If the challenge is exclusive, meaning you cannot participate in other challenges, the system will tell you that. We have a variety of challenges going on for ALL ages!

Please note: ALL prize winners are selected via Beanstack, so if you are having difficulty, please reach out to the library staff for assistance!