eBooks and eMedia… Free @ Your Library!

Do you still think the library is just printed books, DVDs, and other physical media? Think again! You can access the following digital resources free from home or come in and let our Help Desk staff walk you through the process of getting started.

For eBooks and eAudiobooks, the option with the best selection is the Overdrive platform. In this platform, we are part of the 58-library Media On Demand consortium, which enables us to offer you over 75,000 copies of more than 48,000 titles. Start by downloading the free app called Libby from the App Store, Google Play, or the Microsoft Store. Select Midlothian Public Library and login with your library card number and PIN. Don’t know your PIN? Call or visit our Checkout Desk for assistance.

hoopla is another great source not only for eBooks and eAudiobooks, but also for streaming movies, TV, and music and accessing digital comics. Download the free hoopla app from wherever you get your apps, and login by library name, library card number, and PIN.

To learn more about Overdrive/Libby and hoopla, please consider attending our eBooks & eMedia class on Monday, December 30 or January 27, from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Please register.
Adult Programs

**Adult Book Discussion**
Saturday, December 14, 10 am
Skipping Christmas by John Grisham

Saturday, January 11, 10 am
Silent Companions by Laura Purcell
Books available at the Checkout Desk. All are welcome.

**TGIF movies**
Friday, December 27, 10 am - Noon
Yesterday (2019, PG-13)

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**Relax & Read Winter Reading for Adults**
Saturday, January 4 – Saturday, February 29
• Anyone over the age of 18
• Read 3 books and earn a small prize
• Register on the library’s website or call the Help Desk

Winter is a great time to snuggle up with a book!
Let the wind blow and the snow pile up while you RELAX & READ.
Join our Adult Winter Reading program.

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**Active & Connected**
Every Thursday, 1 - 3 pm
This club is designed for individuals age 60+, but people of any age are welcome. Program will be followed by a time for refreshments and visiting.

- **December 5,** Chair Yoga
- **December 12,** Magical Holiday Letters (Intro to MS Word)
  Do you write holiday letters to friends and family? In this introduction to Microsoft Word, learn how to add some special touches to your announcements with festive fonts, color and artwork. Tips will be useful all year round! Please register.
- **December 19,** Christmas Movie Trivia
- **December 26 & January 2,** Holiday Break
- **January 9,** Chair Yoga
- **January 16,** New Year’s Budget Worksheet (Intro to MS Excel)
  Did you set new financial goals for 2020? In this introduction to Microsoft Excel, learn how to set up a budget worksheet to track your expenses. Once you learn how to use worksheets you will be able to track all kinds of things in the new year. Please register.
- **January 23,** Conversation Café: “Where do you come from? Where are you heading?”
  A Conversation Café is a hosted structured conversation. They are not debates but dialogues that help participants get to know the viewpoints of others. In addition to this date, there will be conversations scheduled for February 20, “Technology--Its Benefits and Risks” and March 19, “Civility in Social Discourse”. Please consider joining all three.
- **January 30,** Self-Care
  Learn how to take better care of yourself this year. Presentation by Mary Taffe from South Suburban Senior Services/Catholic Charities.
NEW IN 2020

**Watch & Discuss**
Friday, January 31, 10 am. *The Public* (2018, PG-13)
Have you ever watched a movie and wanted to talk about it? Starting in 2020, we will do just that. All are welcome. Please register.

**Craft Programs**

**All in Pieces Quilting Club**
*please note the date change
Friday, December 13* & 20, 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Friday, January 3 & 17, 1:30 - 3:30 pm
This club is open to quilters of all abilities. Please come and enjoy an afternoon of sewing.

**Tube Sock Snowman**
Thursday, December 19, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
This snowman will make your home festive all season requiring no shoveling or salt! Please register.

**New Year Planner Organization**
Thursday, January 16, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
It's a new year! Get your planner organized. Come learn how to write, design, and organize your planner to go from plain and simple to wow and functional. Take leftover stickers home and continue organizing! Please register.

**Technology Classes**

**Magical Holiday Letters (Intro to MS Word)**
Monday, December 9, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Do you write holiday letters to friends and family? In this introduction to Microsoft Word, learn how to add some special touches to your letters with festive fonts, color and artwork. Tips will be useful all year round! Please register.

**eBooks & eMedia**
Monday, December 30, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Monday, January 27, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Did you find a new smartphone or tablet under the tree? Learn how to fill it with FREE materials using your Midlothian library card. The library offers thousands of free ebooks, audiobooks, music, movies and TV shows—and they’re all available right now with your library card. Please register.

**New Year’s Budget Worksheet (Intro to MS Excel)**
Monday, January 13, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
In this introduction to Microsoft Excel, learn how to set up a budget worksheet to track your expenses. Please register.

**Holiday Music Program - Great for Families!**
Saturday, December 14, 1 - 2 pm
Nothing awakens the spirit of the season like music. This special concert of holiday songs by the Cowboy Choir will bring back all of your dearest memories and create some new ones. Come and enjoy!

**Career and Finance**

**Simplify Your Spending and Saving Strategies**
Thursday, January 9, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Learn about the basics of budgeting and the importance of managing credit and debt. Please register.

**Résumé Writing**
Thursday, January 23, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
This program will explain essential parts of a résumé, determine which format is right for you, and help you create a document unique to your skills, goals and experience. Learn how to highlight your skills, avoid common mistakes and overcome issues like work gaps or age discrimination. Please register. In addition, on Monday, February 10, the library will offer Formatting Résumés (Intro to MS Word). Please consider registering.

**New Adult Events**

These programs are designed for people over 18 and under 40, but people of any age are welcome.

**Christmas Movie Trivia**
Thursday, December 12, 6 - 7:30 pm
Can you quote lines from movies such as *Elf, Jingle All the Way, Home Alone* and *It’s A Wonderful Life*? Gather your friends and prove it! Prizes and snacks provided. Please register your team.

**“Resolutions” Trivia**
SPECIAL AFTER-HOURS EVENT:
Friday, January 10, 6 - 8 pm
This after-hours BYOB trivia event is for those 21 and over. Bring your beverage of choice, trivia knowledge, and friends to a trivia contest about resolutions. *IDs will be checked.* Snacks and prizes provided. Please register your team.
Programs For Children
Registration required for weekly programs. Registration can be done in person at the Help Desk, over the phone, or online at www.midlothianlibrary.org.

**Toddler Arts and Crafts**
Mondays, December 2-16 & January 6 - February 10, 10 - 10:45 am
*Best for ages 2+. Glue, paint, and create with your little one! Registration required; limit 20 children.*

**Play, Baby, Play**
Tuesdays, December 3-17 & January 7 - February 11 -OR-
Thursdays, December 5-19 & January 9 - February 13, 10 - 10:45 am
*Best for ages 0-5. An interactive storyline filled with books, songs and dancing! Registration required; limit 20 children. Please choose only Tuesdays OR Thursdays.*

**Family Fun Storytime (Spanish Bilingual)**
Tuesdays, December 3 & January 14 & 28, 6 - 6:45 pm
*For families with kids of all ages—both English and Spanish-speaking. Don't miss our super-special bilingual storyline! Read, sing, make crafts, and eat a multicultural snack with Miss Adriana. Please register.*

**Sensory Playtime**
Fridays, December 13 & January 3 & 17, 10 - 11 am
*Best for ages 1-5. Come to an open playtime that's all about hands-on learning and exploration! Drop in.*

**Elf on the Shelf Movie Special**
Monday, December 2, 4 - 4:30 pm
*Watch the Elf on the Shelf movie and have a snack. While you’re watching, the library elf, Chip, may come to visit and hide! Find him if you can.*

**The Grinch Book Party**
Wednesday, December 4, 4 - 4:45 pm
*Best for grades K-2. Join us as we read How the Grinch Stole Christmas and partake in a Grinch themed party with crafts and snacks. Registration required.*

**Homeschool Club**
Mondays, December 16 & January 20, 1 - 1:45 pm
*Best for ages 6+. Homeschoolers unite for fun, interactive, educational, and social programs! Registration required.*

**Drop-In Ornament Making**
Wednesday, December 18, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
*Drop in to make your own ornaments for the holidays! While supplies last.*

**Arts & Crafts with Miss Adriana**
Thursdays, December 19 & January 23, 5 - 5:45 pm
*Best for grades K-3. Feeling creative? Come join us to create some fun arts and crafts! Registration required.*

**Christmas “Eve Eve” Party**
Monday, December 23, 6 - 7 pm
*Wear your pajamas and snuggle up to a family Christmas “Eve Eve” Party with books, music, and hot cocoa. Registration required.*

**Builder’s Zone**
Friday, December 27, 1 - 2 pm
*Drop in to build and explore with Legos and other blocks!*

**New Year’s Dance Party**
Monday, December 30, 6 - 7 pm
*Kick off your New Year’s celebration early at the library! Join us for a fabulous family dance party with our very own countdown. Our “midnight” will be 7 pm.*

**“I Have a Dream” January - All Month**
*Do you have a dream? Martin Luther King, Jr. did! What is YOUR dream? Come to the Help Desk to write down your dream to be posted on our bulletin board. A sweet treat will be given for your submission.*

**Signs & Stories**
Friday, January 10, 10-10:30 am
*Best for ages 0-5. Learn baby sign language in a special storyline with books and songs with signs. Registration required.*

**Pete the Cat Book Party**
Wednesday, January 15, 4-4:45 pm
*Best for grades K-2. Join us as we celebrate Pete the Cat and partake in a Pete themed party with crafts and snacks. Registration required.*

**Library “Shelfie” Day**
Wednesday, January 22, All Day
*Celebrate your love of books by coming into the Library and having the staff take a “shelfie” of you to be posted on the library’s social media! Or, take your own “shelfie” and tag Midlothian Public Library on social media!*

**Chinese New Year Celebration**
Saturday, January 25, 11 am - Noon
*It’s the Year of the Rat! Please join us as we celebrate Chinese New Year. We will have crafts, songs, stories, and treats. Registration required.*
**Twelve Days of Reading Winter Reading Program**

**December - All Month**

*Best for children birth - 12th grade*

Celebrate reading this season! Come to the library for a log, read on any 12 days in December, and return to the library to receive a small prize. Last day December 30.

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**Family Programs**

**Extreme Gingerbread Challenge**

Saturday, December 21, 1 - 2:30 pm

Compete against other builders to win best gingerbread house! Materials will be provided. Registration required.

**Family Game Night**

**SPECIAL AFTER-HOURS EVENT:**

Friday, December 27, 6 - 9 pm

Come in after hours as we set up all of our games to turn our library into an arcade. Registration required; 50 patron limit.

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**Tween/Teen Programs**

**Tween**

For grades 3 - 6 unless otherwise noted.

**STEAM Club**

Mondays, December 9 & January 13 & 27, 4 - 5 pm

*Best for grades 3-6.* Get your thinking caps on or flex your creative side as we do fascinating science experiments and create art! Limited space. Registration required for each individual session.

- **December 9:** DIY Snow Globes
- **January 13:** SPECIAL GUEST FROM COOK COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE
- **January 27:** TBD

**Kids in the Kitchen**

Wednesdays, December 11 & January 22, 3:45 - 4:45 pm

*Best for grades 3-8.* Kids will learn fundamental cooking skills and become chefs while making delicious foods with hands on learning! Limited space. Registration required. January session registration opens January 1.

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**Teens**

For grades 7-12 unless otherwise noted.

**RPG Club**

Tuesdays, December 3 & 17 and January 14 & 28, 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Create a character from Dungeons and Dragons 5th Edition and join our quest in defeating evil or build a character to steal the most sweet rolls.

**Game Night**

Wednesdays December 4 & 11 and January 8, 15 & 22, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Play games on Nintendo Switch and PS4.

**Teen Treats**

Fridays, December 13 & January 17, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Create art with food. Registration required; limit 20 participants.

**Pizza Party Tournament**

Wednesdays, December 18 and January 29, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Participate in our monthly Super Smash Brothers tournament. Pizza will be served and prizes will be awarded to the top players. Registration required; limit 50 participants. Anyone who arrives late or does not register will not be added to the tournament.

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**Teen Volunteers Needed!**

If you are looking for service hours, please stop in at our Help Desk and ask for a Volunteer Form. All volunteers under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian sign a service agreement. See the Help Desk for more details.
Have you enjoyed programs at the library this fall?
Here are some ways the Friends have supported recent programs:

- Donated funds to purchase refreshments for the Hispanic Heritage Month Festival.
- Purchased a portable microphone and speaker for use in various library programs.
- Sponsored the program *World War I Christmas Miracle* by Rochelle Pennington.
- Established and support four Little Free Libraries in town.

The Library greatly appreciates these purchases. Ask at the Checkout Desk or Help Desk how you can help support the Friends’ efforts.

**Friends Holiday Bazaar Kickoff**
Saturday, December 7, 9 am - Noon

Stop by and browse the crafts and holiday decorations available for sale in the main area of the library.

Come early for the best selection!

Sale will continue through Thursday, December 19.

**Do you know where the Friends of the Library’s Little Free Libraries are?**

- Fire Station 2
- St. Stephen Lutheran Church
- Midlothian Village Hall
- Midlothian Train Station

**REMEmber:**
"Take a book, leave a book!"

**Donations Wanted!**

Friends of the Library BOOK SALE
Saturday, February 1, 9 am - 3 pm

**Reminder**

There is a donation box for the Lions of Illinois Foundation in the Library.

They accept used eye glasses, hearing aids, cell phones and ink cartridges.
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Para Adultos

Concierto de música navideña (En inglés)
Los sábado, 14 de diciembre, 1 - 2 pm
Nada despierta el espíritu de la temporada como la música. Este concierto especial de canciones navideñas por Cowboy Choir que traerá de vuelta todos sus recuerdos más queridos y creará algunos nuevos. ¡Ven y disfruta!

Organización de agenda del año nuevo (Bilingüe)
Los jueves, 16 de enero, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
¡Es un año nuevo! Organice su agenda. Venga y aprenda a escribir, diseñar y organizar su agenda para ir de simple a sorprendente y funcional. ¡Lleve las pegatinas sobrantes a casa y continúe organizando! Por favor regístrese.

Estos programas están diseñados para personas de 18 a 30 años, pero las personas de cualquier edad son bienvenidas.

Trivia de películas navideñas (En inglés)
Los jueves, 12 de diciembre, 6 - 7:30 pm
¿Puedes citar líneas de películas como Elf, Jingle All the Way, Home Alone y It's A Wonderful Life? ¡Reúne a tus amigos y demuéstralo! Premios y refrescos serán proporcionados. Por favor registre su equipo.

Para los Niños

Cuentos Divertidos para la Familia (Bilingüe)
Los martes 3 de diciembre 14 y 28 de enero, 6 - 6:45 pm
¡No te pierdas nuestro súper-especial tiempo de cuento bilingüe! ¡Ven a leer, a cantar, hacer manualidades, y a comer una botana multicultural con la Señorita Adriana! Por favor registrese.

Artes y Artesanías con Srta. Adriana (Bilingüe)
Los jueves, 19 y 23 de diciembre, 5 - 5:45 pm
¿Te sientes creativo? ¡Ven y únete a nosotros para crear algunas artes y artesanías divertidas! Se requiere registro.

Programas Familiares

Desafío extremo de pan de jengibre (En inglés)
Sábado, 21 de diciembre 1:00 - 2:30 pm
¡Únase a nosotros para una celebración familiar llena de diversión de la temporada de otoño! Por favor registrese.

Como escribir un currículum vitae (En inglés)
Los jueves 23 de enero, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Este programa explicará las partes esenciales de un currículum, determinará qué formato es el adecuado para usted y lo ayudará a crear un documento único para sus habilidades, objetivos y experiencia. Aprenda a destacar sus habilidades, evitar errores comunes y superar problemas como brechas laborales o discriminación por edad. Por favor regístrese.