

SHELBY TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

586-739-7414 shelbytwp.org/library
52610 Van Dyke Ave., Shelby Twp., MI 48316

Mon - Thurs: 9 AM - 8 PM Fri & Sat: 9 AM - 5 PM
Closed Sundays

May 2026

The library will be closed May 23-25 for Memorial Day.

CHILDREN & ALL AGES PROGRAMS

Free Comic Book Day (All Ages)

Comic book fans can drop in to pick out a free comic book, draw comics, and do crafts (while supplies last). Balloon twists will be offered between 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Those dressed in costume can enter to win a gift card to Bring Your Old Books, our generous comic book donor.

All Day Sat 5/2 Program Room

LEGO Lounge (Ages 4-12)

Unwind and get creative in our cozy LEGO Lounge. Enjoy a quieter setting and a relaxed place to build, explore, and socialize at your pace. Sensory supports available include: fidgets, dimmed lighting upon request, and weighted lap pads. This space is open to everyone. Drop in and build your way.

10-11 AM Sat 5/9 Legacy Room

Paws to Read (Ages 5+)

Develop reading skills with a supportive friend who won't judge or interrupt. Readers and caregivers can check in at the children's desk to take turns reading for 10 minutes to a certified therapy dog with its handler. Bring a book from home or choose one in the library.

9:30-11 AM Sat 5/16 Program Room

Drop-In Chess Play (All Ages)

Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned player, drop by to practice your game and learn new moves from others. The library will have several chess sets available, but please bring a set if you have one to share.

6:30-7:30 PM Thu 5/28 Program Room

REGISTRATION - Programs require registration and are only open to residents. Guest spots may be available by phone if registration does not fill the day before the program. Register for events at shelbytwp.org/library or call 586-739-7414.

LIBRARY STORYTIMES

Preschool Pages (Ages 3.5-5)

Stories, rhymes, and activities for preschoolers to help prepare them for kindergarten. Shelby Township residents may register one week in advance for each class. Guest spots may be available by phone call the day before the program if registration has not filled up.

10-10:30 AM Tue 5/5-5/19 Program Room

Toddler Tales (Ages 2-3.5)

Stories, songs, rhymes, and activities for toddlers and their caregivers. Shelby Township residents may register one week in advance for each class. Guest spots may be available by phone call the day before the program if registration has not filled up.

10-10:30 AM Wed 5/6-5/20 Program Room
11-11:30 AM Wed 5/6-5/20 Program Room

Baby Bears Storytime (Under 2)

Drop in for short stories, songs, lap bounces, and playtime with other little ones.

10-10:30 AM Fri 5/8, 5/22, 5/29 Legacy Room

Sensory Friendly Storytime (Ages 3-6)

Enjoy an inclusive storytime for all children and all abilities.

This story time features a smaller class size and tools like a visual schedule and fidgets, as well as an activity after the story. Siblings and non-residents welcome. Please register each child attending. Registration begins one week before the event.

10-10:30 AM Sat 5/9 Program Room

Families & Jammies Storytime (All Ages)

Put on your pajamas and drop in for stories, songs and activities for the family.

6:30-7 PM Thu 5/14 Program Room

PLANT A SEED, READ - SUMMER READING 2026

Shelby Township residents of all ages and abilities can "plant a seed" by reading and completing activities to earn rewards.

Register starting June 13 at shelbytwplib.beanstack.org or download the free Beanstack app. Log your summer reading activities through Aug. 8.

Check the 2026 summer edition of the ShelbyTownship newsletter "Fountain" for a full rundown of our summer reading season.

Wednesday youth programs require registration and are open to residents only unless otherwise noted. Guest spots may be available by phone call if registration does not fill by the day before the program. Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver during Wednesday programs.



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TWEEN & TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Coloring Contest (Grades 6-12)

May is Mental Health Awareness Month, and we're inviting teens to take a creative break and express themselves through color. Stop by the teen area to pick up a coloring sheet designed to promote mindfulness, relaxation, and self-expression. Submit your finished coloring sheet to the youth desk between May 1 and May 30 for a small prize, while supplies last.

All Day 5/1-5/30 Youth Desk

After School Teen Hangout (Grades 7-12)

Drop by after school to play games of all kinds including: board games, party games, TTRPGs and more! We'll show you how to play.

3-4:30 PM Wed 5/6-6/3 Program Room

Teen Advisory Board (Ages 14-17)

Help plan events at the library for the teens in our community. Earn service hours for attending the meetings. To become a member and earn service hours, please submit a volunteer application and completed work permit to the librarian.

5:30-7 PM Thu 5/7 Program Room

Teen Tea & Chill (Grades 7-12)

Enjoy some tea and relaxing activities with therapy dogs to unwind and take a break.

3-4:30 PM Sat 5/9 Program Room

Teen Night: Scented Candle Making (Grades 7-12)

Create your own custom candle using natural wax, essential oils, and vibrant colors. We'll guide you through the process step-by-step—from melting and mixing to pouring and decorating. Registration begins May 1.

6-7:30 PM Fri 5/15 Legacy Room

Tween Shrinky Dinks (Ages 8-12)

Shrink your art into fun keepsakes! Design and color your own Shrinky Dinks before watching them "magically" shrink into charms, keychains, and more. All supplies are provided, and participants will leave with unique creations to take home. Registration begins May 7.

6:30-7:30 PM Thu 5/21 Program Room

Teen Book Club (Grades 7-12)

Come hang out, talk about the book with other teens. Free copies of the book will be available for pick up before each month's meeting, while supplies last.

"The Red Palace" by June Hur

3-4:30 PM Sat 5/30 Program Room

DIGITAL SERVICES

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Press Start Together - Family Gaming Hour

Competitive gaming in a fun and friendly environment. Let's take turns together as we enjoy popular videogames on the library's ten foot video wall. Make new friends, socialize and participate in some gaming. **Registration required.**

11 AM-12 PM Sat 5/30 Legacy Room

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