

Matawan-Aberdeen Public Library

Registration FAQ for Children's & Teen's Programs

The Youth Services Department at the Matawan-Aberdeen Public Library is committed to providing programming for all of our young patrons. Our programs are designed to instill and encourage a love of learning and therefore are centered around reading and discovery. We have programs that required registration and those that do not. The calendar always designates which program requires registration or not.

Please read through the rest of the program FAQ for more information.

Where can I find the programs you offer?

- To find programs for your children or teens please see our website: www.matawanaberdeenlibrary.com or you can find a monthly paper copy in the Children's Department. Feel free to call to register for a program at 732-583-9100 ext. 111. You can also email us at maplkids@lmxac.org.

Do I have to pay for attending a program?

- Programs are always free for library patrons.

How do I register for a program?

- Programs that require registration are only for Matawan, Aberdeen, and Cliffwood residents. They require a valid library card to register. Please see our library policies (<http://www.matawanaberdeenlibrary.com/pages/policy.php>) about obtaining a library card if you do not already possess one.
- Programs that do not require registration are open to everyone.

What age group can attend programs?

- There are programs designed for each age group. Young patrons must be the appropriate age for the program.

Can siblings attend programs with older or younger kids?

- Siblings are always welcome to attend the programs with younger or older kids. However, the program cannot be changed to accommodate siblings, making it easier or harder.

What if I am late to a program?

- If you are more than 15 minutes late to a registered program for which you have registered, then you will not be guaranteed a spot. Oftentimes, the program has advanced to a point that your child may not be able to catch up to the others attending. It is up to the discretion of the Youth Services Librarian to allow you to enter if you are late.

Is registration different for Summer Reading?

- When the school year ends, young patrons may participate in the group that they will be joining in the fall. For example, if your child is going into Kindergarten in the fall, they may attend our Book Bunch Story Time for Kindergarten, first, and second grade during the summer.
- Registration for programs can only be done a week in advance in the summer. We want to give everyone a chance to find the program and then be able to register for it.

We hope that these guidelines are helpful when deciding which programs to register for. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Head of Youth Services!