

May Events

2026



Become a Friend of the Library!

Friends of the Library groups are member-supported, independent nonprofit organizations who support library services in their community through fundraising and advocacy. New members welcome!

Learn more at mypcls.org or contact your local library.

Explore Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Stories and Voices this May

Our Own Archipelago: Mindfulness and Clay Workshop

Saturday, May 2, noon-1:30 p.m.
Interim Lakewood
Pierce County Library

Ikebana Demonstration and Drop-In Studio

Saturday, May 23, noon-3 p.m.
Parkland/Spanaway
Pierce County Library

mypcls.org/stories-and-voices



ADULT EVENTS

Free Shower Service

Friday, May 8 and 22, noon-5 p.m.

A mobile shower trailer provided by New Hope Resource Center will be available in the parking lot.

Friends of the South Hill Library Meeting

Wednesday, May 20, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Support your local library by becoming a Friend! Attending meetings is a great way to find out about volunteer opportunities and meet other Friends of the Library.

Healthcare Insurance Comparison and Selection

Wednesday, May 20, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Navigate an in depth examination and comparison of your health insurance options, including Medicare

One Book, One Coast: Book Discussion

Saturday, May 23, 2-3 p.m.

Join us for an engaging discussion of the graphic novel memoir "They Called Us Enemy" by George Takei.

Now I Eat My ABCs: STARS Class*

Saturday, May 30, 10 a.m.-noon

A State Training and Registry System (STARS) workshop for teachers who work with young children, ages birth to 6.



Sewing and Mending with Sanae Ishida*

Saturday, May 9, 1-3 p.m.

Join author and artist Sanae Ishida for a workshop on using Japanese embroidery for sewing and mending.



One Book, One Coast: Author Livestream with George Takei

Sunday, May 31, 2-4 p.m.

One Book, One Coast brings together library systems across California, Washington state and Oregon for a shared community reading program that celebrates literacy, learning, community and civil discourse. Please join us in person to watch a livestream of author George Takei's book discussion about "They Called Us Enemy." Ages 13 and up.

HIGHLIGHTED EVENT

Programs and events are not affiliated with the school district.

Thanks to the Pierce County Library Foundation and Friends of the South Hill Library which support many of these events and classes.



TEEN EVENTS



Teen Trivia Night

Thursday, May 21, 3:30-5 p.m.

Enjoy a general trivia night with a range of difficulty and topics. Ages 13-18.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENTS



Video Games for Kids

Saturday, May 2, 3-5 p.m.

Connect with friends while playing popular Nintendo Switch games, socializing and exploring technology together. Ages 8-12.



Play Time

Sunday, May 3, 10 and 17, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Explore, build and create! Join us for play times designed to spark learning. Ages 0-5.



Tween Club: Rock Painting

Thursday, May 28, 5-6 p.m.

Paint your own rock. Ages 9-12.

Story Times



Story Time for Babies

Monday, May 4 and 11, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Songs, rhymes and stories just right for babies and their caregivers. Ages 0-18 months.

Story Time for Preschoolers

Tuesday, May 5 and 12, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Enjoy stories, songs and activities to spark your preschooler's love of reading. Ages 3-6.

Story Time for Toddlers

Thursday, May 7 and 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Join us for stories, songs and fun designed for toddlers. Ages 2-3.

Play Time: Playful Connections with A Step Ahead Pierce County

Friday, May 15 10:30 a.m.-noon

Play, build and explore with blocks and a variety of sensory materials along with short story time. Ages 0-5.

VIRTUAL EVENTS

Virtual Talk Time*

🖥️ Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m. and Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.

Learn, connect and practice English language skills. For ESL learners and English speakers wanting to connect with and support ESL learners. Ages 13 and up.

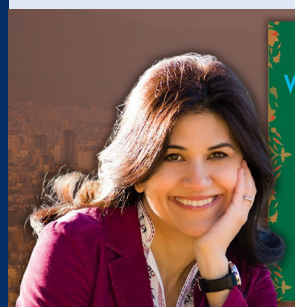
Virtual Teen Council: Use Your Voice*

🖥️ Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Help plan events, give feedback and speak up about what teens actually want from their library. Volunteer hours and connection included. Ages 13-18.

Virtual Author Talk with Marjan Kamali*

🖥️ Thursday, May 7, 4-5 p.m.



Enjoy an exciting conversation with internationally acclaimed author Marjan Kamali as we delve into the timeless wonder of her New York Times bestselling novel "The Lion Women of Tehran." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual Facing Turmoil with Integrity*

🖥️ Thursday, May 7 5-6:30 p.m.

Explore how the ancient Tamil Kural shaped Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King in this inspiring talk presented by author Thomas Hitoshi Pruiksma. Ages 18 and up.



Virtual Dungeons and Dragons: The Ongoing Campaign*

🖥️ Friday, May 8 and 22, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Join fellow teens on a gothic horror adventure. Ages 13-18.

Virtual Author Talk with Dr. Vivienne Ming*

🖥️ Tuesday, May 12, 11 a.m.-noon

Join a timely virtual conversation on AI, humanity and a better future with Dr. Vivienne Ming as she discusses her new book "Robot-Proof: When Machines Have All the Answers, Build Better People." Ages 18 and up.



Hybrid Social Security 101*

🖥️ Thursday, May 14, 1-2 p.m.

Learn about the Social Security program, including its history, how it is funded, how your benefits are calculated, and much more. Attend virtually or at the Eatonville Pierce County Library. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual Author Talk with Nir Eyal*

🖥️ Tuesday, May 19, 11 a.m.-noon

Explore how the limits we face are often psychological, not physical, in a compelling look at belief and possibility from bestselling author Nir Eyal in "Beyond Belief." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.

