

September Events 2026

Volunteer Opportunities

For teens and adults.

PCLS is expanding volunteer opportunities for you this fall! Volunteers support Library programs for all ages, including Tech Help and Virtual Talk Time. Teens are also invited to join our Teen Councils for a flexible, social volunteer experience.

As a Library volunteer, you will have opportunities to use your skills, build relationships and learn more about how the Library supports the community.

Learn more at mypcls.org

Civic Engagement and Literacy



Civic Literacy programs help you discover the power of your voice. In these programs you'll strengthen your understanding of civic issues and government processes so that you can:

- Engage confidently.
- Think critically.
- Play an active role in shaping the future of your community.

Coming in October: Patchwork and Polls

Explore voting in Washington with creative, hands-on activities. Drop in to these programs and create a vote quilt square, record a voting memory, play election trivia, register to vote, and learn about upcoming elections! For teens and adults.

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ADULT EVENTS



Street Medicine Services

Friday, Sept. 4 and 18

10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Receive medical care and resources for those in our community experiencing homelessness from the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department's Street Medicine Team.



Green Expectations: A Poetry Workshop*

Sunday, Sept. 13, 3-4 p.m.

Join Claudia Castro Luna, former Washington State Poet Laureate, for an event that is part poetry reading, part discussion, part writing workshop while exploring the importance of trees and plants in our lives.



Let's Learn About: Día De Los Muertos*

Sunday, Sept. 27, 2-3 p.m.

Join artist and educator Vaquero Azul for an informative and reflective presentation exploring the holiday's indigenous roots, customs and traditions. All ages.



English Language Learning Class

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 16, 23 and 30, 1-3 p.m.

Learn and practice English language skills with tutors from the Tacoma Area Literacy Council.

TEEN EVENTS



In Stitches Circle

Tuesday, Sept. 1, 4-5:30 p.m.

Bring a project or learn a new craft. Ages 13-18.



Teen Hangout

Thursday, Sept. 3 and 17, 4-5:30 p.m.

Stop by to hang out, try something fun or just take a break. Ages 13-18

Programs and events are not affiliated with the school district.

Thanks to the Pierce County Library Foundation and Regional OPSS Friends Group which support many of these events and classes.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENTS



Health is Wealth

Wednesday, Sept. 9 and 23, 4-6 p.m.

Join Safe Streets for youth-led activities to strengthen life skills, social-emotional learning skills and promote healthy decision-making, all while having fun. Ages 9-18.



Story Time for Babies

**Monday, Sept. 14, 21 and 28
10:15-11:15 a.m.**

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



Story Time for Preschoolers

**Thursday, Sept. 17 and 24
10:30-11:30 a.m.**

Enjoy stories, songs and activities to spark your preschooler's love of reading. Ages 3-5.



Play to Learn with Greentrike

Tuesday, Sept. 29, 10:30 a.m.-noon

Participate in a play-based program with songs, stories and open-ended activities that support early learning through play and caregiver connection. Ages 0-6.

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 Author Talk with David O. Stewart *

**🖥️ Tuesday, Sept. 1
11 a.m.-noon**

Listen to award-winning historian David O. Stewart discuss his newest book

"The Democracy We Must Keep." In partnership with the

Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual Author Talk with Daniel Kraus*

🖥️ Tuesday, Sept. 8, 4-5 p.m.

Prepare to launch into the darkest depths of deep space with master storyteller Daniel Kraus, winner of the 2026 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, to celebrate the release of his new novel "The Sixth Nik." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.



Virtual Dungeons and Dragons: The Ongoing Campaign*

🖥️ Friday, Sept. 11 and 25, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

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



Virtual Author Talk with Priya Parker*

**🖥️ Tuesday, Sept. 15
1-2 p.m.**

Gain powerful insights into navigating conflict with world-renowned master facilitator Priya Parker as she discusses her groundbreaking new book

"The Art of Fighting: The Transformative Power of Conflict." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.

Virtual Author Talk with Lucky Diaz*

🖥️ Thursday, Sept. 24, 4-4:30 p.m.

Join us for an energetic conversation as we celebrate the joy of community and summer fun with Latin GRAMMY-winning musician Lucky Diaz, author of the sensational bilingual picture book "Paletero Man." In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. Ages 18 and up.



Hybrid Learning to Use Gale Legal Forms*

🖥️ Thursday, Sept. 24, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Learn all about how to access and use Gale Legal Forms. Attend virtually or at South Hill Pierce County Library. Ages 18 and up.

Charla virtual con el autor Lucky Diaz*

🖥️ Jueves, 24 de septiembre, de 5:00 a 5:30 p.m.

Únete a nosotros para una enérgica conversación mientras celebramos la alegría de la comunidad y la diversión del verano con Lucky Diaz, músico ganador del premio Latin GRAMMY y autor del sensacional libro ilustrado bilingüe, Paletero Man. En colaboración con el Consorcio de Oradores de Bibliotecas. Para personas de 18 años en adelante.