

October Events

2026

Information Literacy Awareness Month

October is Cybersecurity and Information Literacy Awareness month! Join us for Live Your Best Digital Life, a six-part series that builds the confidence and skills to find trustworthy information, protect your privacy, stay safe online and make informed decisions.

Talking Media with Kids: Raising Thoughtful Digital Citizens

Sunday, Oct. 4, 1-2:30 p.m.
Interim Lakewood
Pierce County Library

Beyond the Bubble: Truth and Trust in a Digital World

Monday, Oct. 19, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Bonney Lake Pierce County Library



STEAM programs for kids and teens are a place to try new things, work together and discover our world.

Join us for open-ended activities to spark your curiosity like collaborative gaming, wild science experiments, tricky building challenges and more!

Browse upcoming STEAM events at mypcls.org/calendar

ADULT EVENTS



Conversation Café: Tick Safety Friday, Oct. 2, 3-4 p.m.

Join local author and advocate Jennifer Saterdal discuss her tick-borne illness survival story and provide tips for tick safety.



Live Your Best Digital Life: Smart Browsing and Privacy Essentials Saturday, Oct. 3, 2-3:30 p.m.

Learn practical ways to protect your personal information, find reliable information online, recognize trustworthy websites and build simple habits that help keep you safer every time you browse.



Crochet with Debra Wednesday, Oct. 14, 4-5:30 p.m.

Want to learn how to crochet? Already an expert? All levels of experience welcome.



No Tech Background? No Problem: Your First Step into AI Saturday, Oct. 24, 2-3:30 p.m.

Join this engaging, beginner-friendly session to get connected to the AI space in a supported, encouraging environment.



Song from the Heart* Sunday, Oct. 25, 4-6 p.m.

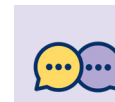
Immerse yourself in the rich sounds and stories of world flutes with Peter Ali's inspiring program.

TEEN EVENTS



Rock Painting Thursday, Oct. 1, 4-5:30 p.m.

Decorate river rocks in any way you choose. Ages 13-18.



Teen Hangout Thursday, Oct. 8, 4-5:30 p.m. and Monday, Oct. 26, 4-5:30 p.m.

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



Explore the Night Sky Thursday, Oct. 15, 4-5:30 p.m.

Explore and learn about celestial objects like the moon, constellations and more in our night sky at this time of year. Ages 13-18.



Felt Creatures Thursday, Oct. 22, 4-5:30 p.m.

Make your own mini stuffed felt creature. Ages 13-18.



LIBRARY IS CLOSED:
Oct. 12 for All-Staff Day

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



Story Time for Mixed Ages Fridays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Stories, songs and movement activities for young children and their caregivers. Ages 0-5.



Drop-In Play Sunday, Oct. 4, 18 and 25, 2-3 p.m.

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



Dog Man Book Party Tuesday, Oct. 6, 4:30-6 p.m.

Celebrate books with themed games, crafts and activities designed for kids and their favorite grown-ups to enjoy together. Ages 6-12.



Story Time for Preschoolers Wednesday, Oct. 7, 21 and 28 10:30-11:30 a.m.

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



Science Heroes: Digging It! Saturday, Oct. 17, 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Unearth your love for science in this fun and interactive show for the whole family. Ages 3-12.



Fall Spa Day Tuesday, Oct. 20, 4:30-6 p.m.

Make bath bombs and other fun spa items to take home and use. Ages 6-12.



Exploring Chain Reactions Tuesday, Oct. 27, 4:30-6 p.m.

Use dominoes and other cause-and-effect supplies to explore chain reactions. Ages 6-12

VIRTUAL EVENTS

Virtual Talk Time*

🖥️ Tuesdays, 11 a.m.-noon and
Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 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*

🖥️ Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Teen Council is your chance to 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 Veronica Roth*

🖥️ Thursday, Oct. 1, 4-5 p.m.

Join us for an online conversation with New York Times bestselling author Veronica Roth as we celebrate the enduring legacy of her Divergent series and get an exclusive sneak peek into her highly anticipated upcoming novel "The Sixth Faction." Ages 18 and up.



Virtual Author Talk with Carolyn Russo*

🖥️ Thursday, Oct. 8 11 a.m.-noon



Enjoy a captivating online conversation with acclaimed author and Smithsonian curator Carolyn Russo and dive into her book "The Ascent of Rauschenberg." Ages 18 and up.

Virtual Dungeons and Dragons: The Ongoing Campaign*

🖥️ Friday, Oct. 9 and 23, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

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

Virtual Author Talk with David Epstein*

🖥️ Tuesday, Oct. 13
11 a.m.-noon

Listen to an inspiring virtual conversation with bestselling author David Epstein and explore his latest book "Inside the Box." Ages 18 and up.



Virtual Live Your Best Digital Life: Staying Safe with AI*

🖥️ Tuesday, Oct. 27, 4-5:30 p.m.

Learn how artificial intelligence (AI) works, when to trust its responses, what information you should never share and practical steps you can take to protect your privacy and use AI with confidence. Ages 18 and up.