Instructions

Choose from our Winter Reading menu & check off the circles as you complete reading challenges.

For each challenge completed, earn a raffle ticket for a Book Lovers Basket prize.

Complete 2 challenges to earn a mug.

Complete 3 challenges to earn a chance to win 2 tickets to the Friends Foundation’s Kentucky Derby party, Saturday, May 4, 2024.

Submit your raffle entry for each completed challenge at any branch of the Cecil County Public Library.

Visit the library’s website or the CCPL Readers Group on Facebook for reading recommendations for each challenge.

Reading Challenge Menu

Hot Chocolate Bombs
Have a blast with an explosive, action-packed thriller

Berger Cookies
Savor a uniquely Maryland read with a book set in Maryland or written by a local author

Tres Leches Cake
Enjoy a flavor-filled read where more than one character shares the spotlight

Smith Island Cake
Delight your taste buds with a lengthy read or the first in a series

Baked Alaska
Layer up and take the plunge into a cold-weather read

Salt Water Taffy
Snack on a book featuring a salty character with a sweet side

Gingerbread House
Taste the deliciousness of a book where a house takes center stage

Baklava
Sweeten your day with a title translated from another language

Bonus

Pineapple Upside Down Cake
Flip to the bottom of your TBR pile for a sweet read

Chocolate Sampler
Treat yourself to one of our scrumptious programs!
Need Reading Inspiration?

Our librarians have curated book lists for each of our Winter Reading Challenges. Here's a preview of those picks. Scan the code to visit our website for the full list of titles.

Join us on Facebook

Join the CCPL Readers Group on Facebook for more Winter Reading and other bookish fun!
Registration opens two weeks prior to the program date for all Children’s programs. Visit our website or your local branch to register.

**ABC...Come Play with Me**  
*For families with children ages birth-5*  
Thursday, 1/4 at 10:30am  
Elkton

Saturday, 1/27 at 11am  
North East

**Kids’ Academy**  
*Ages 6-11*  
Monday, 1/8 at 1pm  
Rising Sun

Wednesday, 1/10 at 1pm  
Elkton

Tuesday, 1/23 at 11am & 1pm  
North East

**Kids Can Cook: Apple Nachos**  
*Ages 8-11*  
Wednesday, 1/10 at 3:30pm  
North East

**PAWS for Reading**  
*Ages 4-11*  
Thursday, 1/11 at 6:30pm  
North East

Wednesday, 1/17 at 6:30pm  
Elkton

**LEGO Challenge**  
*Ages 6-11*  
Wednesday, 1/17 at 3:30pm  
Rising Sun

**STEAM Lab**  
*Ages 6-11*  
Wednesday, 1/17 at 3:30pm & 6pm  
North East

**Batik Art Workshop**  
*Ages 8-16*  
Wednesday, 1/17 at 3:30pm  
Cecilton

**Tween Academy: New Year Art Mobiles**  
*Ages 9-14*  
Monday, 1/22 at 1pm  
Elkton

**Starlight StoryTime**  
*Ages 3-5*  
Wednesday, 1/24 at 6pm  
North East

**Escape the Library**  
*Ages 8-14*  
Thursday, 1/25 at 3:30, 4:30, & 5:30pm  
Elkton

**Traveling Storybook Zoo**  
*Ages 2-5*  
Tuesday, 1/30 at 10:30am  
Chesapeake City
It's never too late to instill a love of reading and a literacy foundation for the children in your life.

CCPL's StoryTimes develop early literacy skills by encouraging families to sing, talk, read, write, and play and provide a space for families to connect with one another.

StoryTimes are held weekly at most branches and are free to attend. Check the schedule for the best fit for your family.

**Cecilton Community Center**
Family Storytime | Ages birth-5  
Every other Wednesday at 10:30 AM (1/10, 1/24, 2/7, & 2/21)

**Elkton**
Family Storytime | Ages birth-5  
Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:30 AM

**Rising Sun**
Family Storytime | Ages birth-5  
Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 10:30 AM  
Movers & Groovers | Ages 2-3 1/2  
Thursdays at 10:30 AM

**North East**
Hello Baby | Pre-walking babies  
Tuesdays at 9:30 AM  
Baby Steps | One year olds  
Tuesdays at 10:45 AM  
On My Own | Ages 3 1/2-5  
Wednesdays at 10 AM  
Movers & Groovers | Ages 2-3 1/2  
Thursdays at 9:30 AM  
Family StoryTime | Birth-5  
Thursdays at 11am
Teens

Game On
Grades 9-12
Monday, 1/8 at 3:30pm
North East

Art Club
Ages 11-17
Monday, 1/8 at 4pm
Cecilton

After School Art Lab: Flip Books
Ages 11-17
Thursday, 1/11 at 3:30pm
Elkton

New Year, New Habits
Ages 11-17
Thursday, 1/11 at 4pm
Rising Sun

Tech Tuesday
Ages 11-17
Tuesday, 1/16 at 3:30pm
Elkton

Afternoon Art Lab: Vision Boards
Ages 11-17
Wednesday, 1/17 at 3:30pm
North East

Batik Art Workshop
Ages 8-16
Wednesday, 1/17 at 3:30pm
Cecilton

Let’s Create Short Stories
Ages 11-17
Thursday, 1/18 at 3:30pm
Elkton

Escape the Time Machine
Ages 11-17
Monday, 1/22 at 3:30pm
North East

Tween Academy: New Year Art Mobiles
Ages 9-14
Monday, 1/22 at 1pm
Elkton

Escape the Library
Ages 8-14
Thursday, 1/25 at 3:30, 4:30, & 5:30pm
Elkton

Diamond Painting
Ages 11-17
Thursday, 1/25 at 4pm
Chesapeake City

Life After High School:
Healthy Eating on a Budget
Grades 9-12
Thursday, 1/25 at 5pm
North East

Teen Cuisine: English Muffin Pizzas
Ages 11-17
Wednesday, 1/31 at 3:30pm
North East

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**Learn to Crochet**  
Tuesday, 1/9 at 6:30pm  
North East

**Intro to iPad/iPhone**  
Wednesday, 1/10 at 11am  
Elkton

**Breathing Techniques for Meditation**  
Wednesday, 1/10 at 6pm  
Rising Sun

**Intro to Homesteading: Winter Sowing**  
Tuesday, 1/16 at 6:30pm  
North East

**Cooking the Books: Healthy Recipes for the New Year**  
Wednesday, 1/17 at 6:30pm  
North East

**Drop-in Tech Help**  
Monday, 1/22 at 2pm  
Rising Sun

**Maryland Eagles**  
Tuesday, 1/23 at 6:30pm  
North East

**The Wonderful World of Chocolate**  
Tuesday, 1/23 at 6:30pm  
Chesapeake City

**Dungeons & Dragons: Getting into Character**  
Tuesday, 1/30 at 5:30pm  
North East

**Retirement Planning 101: Mastering Strategies for a Secure Future**  
Wednesday, 1/31 at 6:30pm  
North East

**Join us for a book discussion!**

Pick up a copy of the book at your local branch and then join us for a lively conversation.
New & Upcoming Releases

Pick up a copy of Book Buzz, our newsletter full of all of the latest buzzworthy books and upcoming releases. Get a preview of all of the next hot reads!

You can put titles on hold through our online catalog or at any branch. Just ask a librarian!

Coming to the North East Library on January 29

This exhibit chronicles and commemorates the selfless contributions African American men and women have made to our national defense and the expansion of freedom over nearly 400 years.
Join us for an event! They are always free and you don’t even need a library card to attend. Registration is required. To sign-up for a program, visit our website or scan the code.
GOT A NEW DEVICE FOR THE HOLIDAYS?
The library can help you to get the most out of it!

Did you know that you can borrow books, audiobooks, movies, and more directly to your device FREE with your library card?

**Libby** allows you to download eBooks and audiobooks for teens directly to your computer, tablet, eReader, or smartphone.

**EBOOKS, EAUDIOBOOKS, & MAGAZINES**

**hoopla** allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics, and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone – and even your TV!

**EBOOKS, EAUDIOBOOKS, MAGAZINES, MOVIES/TV, MUSIC**

**TumbleBook Library**

An on-demand collection of children’s books available on any device, featuring interactive picture books with narration and animation, read-aloud videos, TumbleTunes songs, graphic novels, early readers, chapter books, and more!
MONTHLY DONATIONS - THE GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING!

Did you know that you can set up an automatic donation through our giving portal? Set your gift for $10, $20 or more and we’ll take care of the rest, including an annual gift receipt. It’s an easy but impactful way to support the Library you Love.

www.bit.ly/FriendsFoundation-CCPL

Support the Cecilton & Chesapeake City Libraries by attending the Winter Gala, hosted by the Chesapeake City Chamber of Commerce.

Dress your best and dance the night away for a good cause! There will be silent auctions, a cash bar, hors d’oeuvres, food stations, and music by ‘Legacy’ band. **Tickets are $90 a person. Scan the code to purchase!**

January 20 from 6-10pm at the Chesapeake Inn Restaurant & Marina.

Contact us for how you can get involved!

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North East, MD 21901

(410) 996-1055 x1129

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www.cecilcountylibrary.org/about/friends-foundation
**HOURS & LOCATIONS**

All CCPL Branches will be closed Monday, 1/15 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### Cecilton
- **Phone:** (410) 275-1091
- **Monday:** 12pm-6pm
- **Tuesday:** 10am-6pm
- **Wednesday:** 10am-6pm
- **Thursday:** 1pm-6pm
- **Friday:** 10am-5pm
- **Saturday:** Closed

### Chesapeake City
- **Phone:** (410) 996-1134
- **Monday:** Closed
- **Tuesday:** 10am-6pm
- **Wednesday:** Closed
- **Thursday:** 10am-6pm
- **Friday:** Closed
- **Saturday:** 10am-5pm

### North East
- **Phone:** (410) 996-6269
- **Monday:** 12pm-6pm
- **Tuesday:** 9am-8pm
- **Wednesday:** 9am-8pm
- **Thursday:** 9am-8pm
- **Friday:** 9am-5pm
- **Saturday:** 9am-5pm

### Elkton
- **Phone:** (410) 996-5600
- **Monday:** 12pm-6pm
- **Tuesday:** 10am-6pm
- **Wednesday:** 10am-8pm
- **Thursday:** 10am-8pm
- **Friday:** 10am-5pm
- **Saturday:** 10am-5pm

### Rising Sun
- **Phone:** (410) 658-4025
- **Phone:** (410) 398-2706
- **Monday:** 12pm-6pm
- **Tuesday:** 10am-6pm
- **Wednesday:** 10am-8pm
- **Thursday:** 10am-6pm
- **Friday:** 10am-5pm
- **Saturday:** 10am-5pm

The Perryville branch is currently closed for renovations. See our website for updates.