“A library is infinity under a roof,” writes children’s book author Gail Carson Levine. Last year, our community experienced infinity on more than 675,000 unique occasions—attending programs, visiting branches, and accessing the library’s virtual services. They also had a hand in creating infinity, by sharing their reading interests to help develop our print and digital collections, volunteering, participating in community service projects, hosting community meetings, launching businesses, tutoring children, conveying their knowledge, and telling their stories. The list of activities that people can pursue in a public library is endless, as reflected in these pages, where you will glimpse a week in the life of the library.

In concert with our mission to Champion Reading, Build Knowledge, and Inspire Curiosity, all of these activities are aimed at improving and enriching the everyday lives of individuals and their communities.

On behalf of our board and staff, we want to thank you for spending the past 52 weeks with us, building a better Cecil County. And to our 4,636 new library cardholders, welcome to infinity!

Morgan Miller, Executive Director
### A Week in the Life of the Library

#### Mon.
- **9:15am**
  - A Job Seeker arrives to use a study room for a virtual interview
- **10:30am**
  - Children and caregivers attend a weekly Family StoryTime in the Children’s Room
- **11am**
  - A child signs up for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, gets his first library card and visits Our Town early learning center
- **1pm**
  - A class meets in the Digital Media Lab to learn how to use Adobe Illustrator to create graphics
- **6:30pm**
  - Librarians answer homework questions and show how to access the Student Virtual Library Card
- **4pm**
  - Library Board of Trustees holds their monthly meeting

#### Tue.
- **11am**
  - The Chamber’s non-profit roundtable explores the Foundation Directory to find grant opportunities
- **1pm**
  - The Bookmobile visits a pre-K class for students to select and keep their own “My Special Book”

#### Wed.
- **8am**
  - The Chamber’s non-profit roundtable explores the Foundation Directory to find grant opportunities
- **9am**
  - Homeschooling families work on a research project
- **9am**
  - Teens gather for “Teens Give Back” a monthly community service project meeting

#### Thu.
- **9am**
  - An adult stops by the library to pick up holds from another county using the Marina Inter-Library Loan system and browses art exhibit
- **10:30am**
  - A bag of books is delivered to a homebound senior
- **3:30pm**
  - A family attends a monthly STEAM class in the Idea Lab of the Children’s Room
- **6pm**
  - A librarian leads an Introduction to Computers class
- **9pm**
  - A lifelong-learner logs into a LinkedIn Learning course for professional certification in project management

#### Fri.
- **11am**
  - Families arrive for the Children’s Book Festival
- **1pm**
  - Families stroll Story Trails at Brantwood, Calvert, Conowingo, and Perryville Parks
- **4pm**
  - Families sign up for all-ages Summer Reading Program

#### Sat.
- **11am**
  - Families arrive for the Children’s Book Festival
- **1pm**
  - Families stroll Story Trails at Brantwood, Calvert, Conowingo, and Perryville Parks
- **3pm**
  - Commuter uses Wi-Fi in the parking lot to download audiobooks for the week

#### Sun.
- **3pm**
  - Commuter uses Wi-Fi in the parking lot to download audiobooks for the week

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*Annette Whipple, presenting at the 2022 Children’s Book Festival*

"I took my very first writing courses through your online Gale courses. Soon I was attending writing conference. Since then I’ve worked with 5 different publishers and have published 12 nonfiction children’s books. Now I teach other writers!"

- Annette Whipple