



Director's Report February 2021

1. BRIDGES stats for January are 79 checkouts, up from 73 the previous month.
2. Our Library COVID-19 Re-Opening Plan Phase 2 (our current phase level) will need to be extended past Jan. 31, 2021. I'm not comfortable opening up further until the vaccine is more readily available to the public. Curbside and in-town delivery services are still highly recommended.
3. Story Hour is Wed. mornings from 10-11. Pajama Party is the last Thursday of each month. There has been no response so far, but I keep trying. All programs are via Zoom.
4. The new website is so much neater than the old website...
5. I'm trying to get participants and their families to pick-up their STEM bags. The STEM Festival will run Jan. 25-Feb.19. Each week's kit will contain most of the materials needed to complete the weekly challenges and activities as a family.
6. I have already been asked if we will be offering a Summer STEM Fest, similar to the Winter STEM Fest. I'm talking with Deb Frazee about that possibility.
7. Feb. 16 STEM Lunch & Learn with Deb Frazee and presenting on our Winter STEM Fest here at the library.
8. I'm getting excited about Summer Reading Program already! We are going with a totally different company, iRead, which is composed *by librarians for librarians*. This is through the Illinois State Library. This year's theme: **Reading Colors Your World!** Tie dye, squirt gun painting, string art, Sharpie tie dye, CD spinners, shaved crayon melts, sun catchers, etc.
9. E-Rate initial form 470 has been filed. Deadline for filing Form 471 is March 25th.

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