



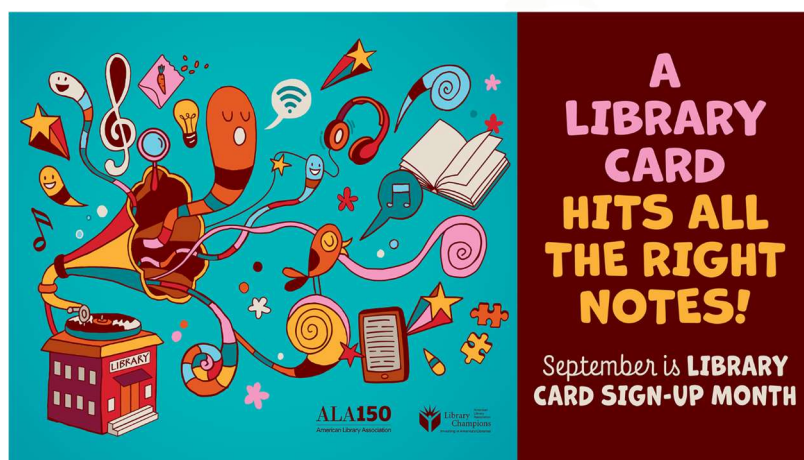
LIBRARY NEWS

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“Creating a City of Lifelong Learners”

Celebrating Library Card Sign-up Month!



This September, North Chicago Public Library invites you to celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month and discover how a library card can hit all the right notes, no matter what your tastes are.

With a library card, you can do more than check out books. From free classes and job resources to homework help, streaming media, and cultural events, today's libraries connect communities to information, inspiration, and each other.

An initiative of the American Library Association, Library Card Sign-up Month has been held each September since 1987 to mark the beginning of the school year, combat illiteracy, and encourage communities everywhere to explore all the offerings that having a library card unlocks. Today, thousands of public libraries and schools nationwide participate in the month-long celebration each fall.

This year's theme, “A Library Card Hits All the Right Notes,” is a reminder that libraries offer something for everyone—no matter your age, background, or goals. Whether you're checking out a classic story or trying something new, finding harmony at the library's programs, finding your focus in a study room or vibing out in a cozy nook, or composing your future with new skills, there's a seat in the front row at the library for you, and your library card is the ticket.

At North Chicago Public Library, you'll find:

- maker spaces, eBooks, dozens of databases, a recording studio
- access to tools and hotspots via our library of things
- free and discounted museum passes
- programs and events for all ages—from storytimes and book clubs to senior sessions and computer classes

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Getting a library card is free, easy, and empowering. For students, it's a key to academic success. For adults, it's a gateway to lifelong learning. For everyone, it's a smart way to stay connected to your community.

Throughout the month of September, we're teaming up with local businesses to provide special perks to NCPL cardholders! These include a coupon for a free taco at Taco Bell for patrons who sign up for a new library card, a 10% discount at BB.Q Chicken in Waukegan on Green Bay.

This September, B sharp and sign up for a library card. Stop by North Chicago Public Library to sign up for your card today!

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the Library!



Hispanic Heritage Month is upon us, and the library will be celebrating with some fun events and giveaways! First, we will have a special Hispanic Heritage Month Loteria on September 10th at 4:00PM. Please note the game will be conducted entirely in Spanish. Next, we will have our annual Huitzillin Mexican Dancers event on Saturday, September 19th from 2:00PM to 3:00PM. We will also be giving away free children's books in Spanish during and after the event. Finally, we will have a special Hispanic Heritage Month themed spice kit with chipotle powder, adobo powder, and tajin. Free spices and curated recipes will be included with each kit as well as fun facts and history about the spices. The kits will be available starting September 14th and remain available while supplies last.

We're Starting a Pokémon Club!



Calling all Pokémon trainers! The North Chicago Public Library is starting its own biweekly Pokémon Club! Want to learn how to play Pokémon's Trading Card Game? Now's your chance! Learn to play, make new friends, and enjoy other Pokémon-themed activities after school! We'll be having our Kickoff Party where we'll craft, snack, and learn a little about the game on September 3rd from 3:30PM to 5:30PM. The next regular meeting will be held two weeks later, on September 17th from 3:30PM to 5:30PM and every other Thursday following that. Open only to kids ages 7-18. Younger children must be accompanied by an adult.

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- 2. Log in with your library card.**
- 3. Borrow and enjoy!**

