

## PRESCHOOL

Lincoln City Libraries presents its popular Preschool Storytimes at all library locations. Preschool Storytime is a half-hour of books and activities for children ages three, four and five.

Preschool Storytime supports early literacy by offering vocabulary development, experiences with a variety of literature, and participation in language-related activities. Pre-registration is not required, and newcomers are always welcome!

### **Bennett Martin Public Library** **136 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, 402-441-8500**

*Third Thursday of the Month*

Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16 10:15 to 10:45 a.m.

### **Anderson Branch** **3635 Touzalin Avenue, 402-441-8540**

Tuesdays 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

### **Bethany Branch** **1810 North Cotner Blvd., 402-441-8550**

Thursdays 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

### **Eiseley Branch** **1530 Superior Street, 402-441-4250**

Tuesdays 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

### **Gere Branch** **2400 S. 56<sup>th</sup> Street, 402-441-8560**

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.  
Mondays 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

### **South Branch** **2675 South Street, 402-441-8570**

Wednesdays 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. &  
2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

### **Walt Branch** **6701 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, 402-441-4460**

Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.  
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## TODDLER

For children aged 18 to 36 months and their parents or caregivers. During Toddler Time, a librarian reads aloud and leads adult-child pairs in activities.

Research indicates the importance of the adult-child bond in building early literacy. Toddler Time also supports early literacy by building vocabulary and sharing age-appropriate literature in an atmosphere of fun, engaging activity.

### **Anderson Branch** **3635 Touzalin Avenue, 402-441-8540**

Mondays 10:30 to 10:50 a.m.

### **Bethany Branch** **1810 North Cotner Blvd., 402-441-8550**

Tuesdays 10:30 to 10:50 a.m.

### **Eiseley Branch** **1530 Superior Street, 402-441-4250**

Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:35 to 10:55 a.m.

### **Gere Branch** **2400 S. 56<sup>th</sup> Street, 402-441-8560**

Tuesdays 10:00 to 10:20 a.m.  
10:35 to 10:55 a.m.  
6:30 to 6:50 p.m.  
Wednesdays 10:35 to 10:55 a.m.  
Thursdays 10:00 to 10:20 a.m.  
10:35 to 10:55 a.m.

### **Walt Branch** **6701 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, 402-441-4460**

Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10:30 to 10:50 a.m.

**Watch for the Fall Reading Challenge, designed to get dads, and the other important men in children's lives, reading aloud early and often.**

## TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL STORYTIME

### **Sit, sing, and listen to stories together.**

The more you participate, the more your child will participate, enjoy, and learn.

### **Please be on time.**

Storytimes are short and every minute is full of fun and learning opportunities.

### **Don't be afraid to leave.**

Some days children aren't in the right mood for storytime. If your child is having a bad day or becomes disruptive, please feel free to take a break and try again.

### **Please enjoy your food, toys, and cell phones after storytime.**

Distractions take away from enjoyment and learning for everyone. There may be children with food sensitivities or allergies in storytime.



In addition to attending storytime, we recommend trying **TumbleBooks**, a collection of animated talking picture books, Read-Alongs, and eBooks that can be used at home from the library's website. Go to [www.lincolnlibraries.org/kids](http://www.lincolnlibraries.org/kids) to explore!

## BABY

An interactive parent-child time with fun activities designed to promote early literacy, language development and a love of books for children birth to 18 months old.

### Eiseley Branch

1530 Superior Street  
402-441-4250  
Mondays

10:35 to 10:55 a.m.

### Gere Branch

2400 S. 56<sup>th</sup> Street  
402-441-8560  
Mondays  
Wednesdays  
Thursdays

10:00 to 10:20 a.m.  
10:00 to 10:20 a.m.  
6:30 to 6:50 p.m.

### Walt Branch

6701 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
402-441-4460  
Thursdays

10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

## FAMILY

The entire family is welcome to enjoy crafts and storytime.

### Bennett Martin Public Library

136 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
402-441-8500  
Every Sunday

4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

### Eiseley Branch

1530 Superior Street  
402-441-4250  
Every Sunday

1:30 to 2:00 p.m.

### Gere Branch

2400 S. 56<sup>th</sup> Street  
402-441-8560  
Monday, October 23

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

### Walt Branch

6701 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
402-441-4460

Tuesdays **Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14** 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.  
Every Saturday 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

## READ ALOUD PLEASE

### Gere Branch

2400 S 56<sup>th</sup> Street

Second Monday of each month 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

A parent-child book group for students in grades 1 to 3 and their parents.

Call 402-441-8560 to register.

## WHY READ ALOUD?

There is an easy way to improve your child's chances at school. It will entertain and delight them. It will strengthen the bonds between you and your child. And it is virtually free.

Sound too good to be true? Actually, it isn't. The magical method: taking time to read aloud to your child.

In an era of high-stakes testing and education reforms and revolutions, research has repeatedly provided that this one simple parenting technique is among the most effective. Children who are read aloud to by parents get a head start in language and literacy skills and go to school better prepared.

Reading aloud to young children promotes literacy and language development and supports the relationship between child and parent.

In other words, reading that bedtime story may not only entertain and soothe your child, it may also develop vocabulary, improve ability to learn to read, and - perhaps most important - foster a lifelong love of books and reading.



## LIBRARY LEARNING TIME

## Storytime Schedules

Babies, Preschoolers, Toddlers, Families

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