Introducing the New Catalog System

This summer, Elmhurst Public Library transitions to an upgraded catalog system in order to provide our patrons with even better service and greater access to materials.

Why is EPL adopting this new catalog system?
Elmhurst Public Library has been a part of the SWAN consortium for many years. This means that our catalog system, which you currently use to search for items online is shared with 80 other local libraries. Because the consortium is so large, it’s hard to make any changes or upgrades to the catalog. Also, the catalog is slow and it can be difficult to search because of the vast number of items included. By becoming a stand-alone library, we can realize upgrades sooner, make patron-friendly changes quickly and easily, and keep more of our collection here in Elmhurst for Elmhurst residents.

But what will happen to my ability to get items from other libraries?
You will still have access to items from other libraries. Although we are leaving the consortium, we are joining a group of libraries that have formed a partnership for sharing resources. Unlike our current consortium, we will have total control to change and upgrade our catalog, while you will have access to collections that are larger and more varied than our current consortium. These partner libraries have huge collections which EPL card holders will be able to access. For example, Elmhurst does not have a large foreign language collection; however, Skokie Public Library—one of the partner libraries—carries resources in many different languages because their community is so diverse, which you could access through this new partnership.

When will the change take place?
EPL staff is already working on the transition. Patrons will notice a change in the system at the beginning of August. We are scheduled to go live with the new system at the beginning of September. During this transition period, you will still be able to checkout and request materials; however, staff will have to manually enter requests. We will make this transition period as painless as possible by providing a variety of ways for you to contact us to place a hold. You can call us, IM us, send us an email, or place your hold in person.

Is there anything else I should know?
During the month of August, you must have your Library card with you to check out materials. Also, if you want to keep your reading history or wish lists, you must download them before August 1, and then set up these features with your new account in the upgraded system. Prior to August 1, you can download your reading history or wish lists to an email address or you can print them out. If you need help doing this, ask a staff member or check www.elmhurstpubliclibrary.org for detailed information about how to download your lists.

EPL at the Farmers’ Market

Elmhurst Farmers’ Market
First Wednesday of each month
July 3 • Aug. 7 • Sept. 4 • Oct. 2
7 a.m.-1 p.m. • Rain or shine!
1/2 block east of York St. on Vallette
The farmers’ market offers fresh fruit, vegetables, bread, pastries, cheese, flowers, honey, and more from local farmers, organizations, and vendors. Let EPL help you figure out what to do with all that fantastic and yummy loot at our booth. We’ll have seasonal selections, including tons of cookbooks and kid-friendly favorites. Bring your Elmhurst Public Library card with you to check out books. Elmhurst Farmer’s Market runs June-October, rain or shine. It is only canceled for extreme weather.
Adult Programs

Drop-in eReader Help
Every Thursday Night • 5-8:30 p.m.
Every Saturday Afternoon • 1-4:30 p.m.
Stop by the 2nd Floor Information Desk for one-on-one help downloading eBooks and eAudioBooks from the EPL website to your eReader or iPod/MP3 player. Bring your laptop, device, and any device cords.

Regretting Mr. Wright
Thursday, July 25 • 7-8:15 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Mamah Borthwick Cheney and Frank Lloyd Wright fell in love, even though they were both married to other people. Flaunting all social mores of their time and abandoning their obligations, they ran off together. She lived what was left of her short life as the female head of household at Taliesin—built for her by Wright—where she died, tragically, in 1914. Ellie Carlson portrays Mamah in this presentation. No registration required.

Don’t Use the Worst First!
Environmentally-Friendly Pest Management
Saturday, Aug. 3 • 10-11 a.m.
Large Meeting Room
Learn about environmentally friendly pest management techniques and advice on the safe use of pesticides in the garden. Presented by Sandy Lentz, University of Illinois Extension-DuPage Master Gardener. This event is part of Elmhurst GreenFest: www.elmhurstgreenfest.org No registration required.

Dream Interpretation
Tuesday, Aug. 13 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
During this interactive workshop learn the five steps of dream interpretation and explore how your subconscious reveals fears, desires, or different perspectives on problems through dreaming. Presented by Sharon Stankus, Certified Teacher of Dream Interpretation. No registration required.

Harriet Beecher Stowe: Famous American Writer
Thursday, July 11 • 7-8:15 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Harriet Beecher Stowe is best known for her groundbreaking work Uncle Tom’s Cabin. But did you know she wrote more than 20 other books, many children’s stories, and articles for newspapers and magazines? As one of the best paid and most sought after writers of her time, Stowe and the Beecher family influenced our nation during a pivotal time in our history. Portrayed by Joyce Huggins. No registration required.

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The Film That Changed My Life: 30 Directors’ Epiphanies in the Dark
Tuesday, July 16 • 7-8:15 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Robert K. Elder is a journalist, author, film columnist. In his book The Film That Changed My Life, Elder asks 30 celebrated directors about the film that shaped their careers, and in turn, cinematic history. Join us as Elder discusses these very interesting epiphany moments and shows clips of these movies. No registration required.

Rock Concert Film Series Part 2: Stop Making Sense
Tuesday, July 9 • 6:30-9 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Join us to view and discuss this revered rock concert film: Stop Making Sense, the 1984 Talking Heads documentary directed by Jonathan Demme and widely regarded as one of the finest of this genre. Professor Peter Hawley, Film and Broadcast Chair at Tribeca Flashpoint Media Arts Academy in Chicago, will provide an introduction on the significance of this and lead a Q & A session afterward. Part of the Elmhurst History Museum’s “Shutter to Think” exhibit. No registration required.

Adult Computer Classes

Introduction to PowerPoint
Tuesday, Aug. 6 • 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Create, edit, save, and print slideshows.

Excel 1
Saturday, July 13 • 10 a.m.-Noon
Format, save, and print worksheets.

Excel 2
Saturday, July 27 • 10 a.m.-Noon
Use formulas, manipulate data, and make charts and graphs.

eBay 101: Selling
Saturday, Aug. 10 • 10 a.m.-Noon
Post, sell, and ship items for bid.


Non-EPL cardholders may register seven days prior if the class is not full.

EPL cardholders: $10
Non-cardholders: $15
Cash or check only

The Library reserves the right to cancel class if fewer than five people sign up.

Students must cancel three days in advance to get a voucher good for six months. Refunds will not be given.
Teen Programs

Anime Afternoon Grades 9-12
Thursday, July 11 • 1-4 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Watch an Anime movie and enjoy Japanese snacks. Have a movie suggestion? Let us know when you register. We’ll also play Anime/Manga trivia for prizes! Register in person, by phone, or online.

Selecting an Affordable College Grades 9-12
Tuesday, July 23 • 7-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Learn what to look for in evaluating which colleges are a good “fit” in order to maximize your chances of financial aid awards. Register in person, by phone, or online.

Tackling the College Essay Grade 12
Wednesday, July 24 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Essays can be a key piece of the college application. Learn how to put your best foot forward. Register in person, by phone, or online.

One-on-One Essay Sessions Grade 12
Monday, July 29 • 1-5 p.m.
Tuesday, July 30 • 1-5 p.m.
Wednesday, July 31 • 5-9 p.m.
Kossmann Room
Get individual assistance creating your college essay. Register in person, by phone, or online.

Teens are welcome at the Puppetry Workshop (see below).

DFTBA! Afternoon Grades 9-12
Wednesday, July 24 • 1-3 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Join us for an afternoon celebrating John Green. Talk about the books & the upcoming movie, view Vlog Brothers videos and play trivia for prizes. There will be snacks and drinks. Register in person, by phone, or online.

Practice Tests with Kaplan
Practice ACT
Saturday, July 27 • 1:30-4:45 p.m.
Practice PSAT
Thursday, Aug. 8 • 6-8:30 p.m.
At least 15 students must register for these programs to run. Register in person, by phone, or online.

Middle School Programs

Scavenger Hunt Entering Grades 6-9
Tuesday, July 2 • 3-4:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Sign on for maps, compass, and adventure when you join us for a not-so-average scavenger hunt. Get trained in map reading and compass navigation, and then find hidden treasures. Register June 8 in person, by phone, or online.

Puppetry Workshop Grades 6-12
Mondays, July 8-22 • 2-3:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room (West)
Explore an interesting and creative type of dramatic expression. Learn how to make and manipulate puppets, use a variety of voice techniques, and present a puppet show. Register June 8 in person, by phone, or online.

Video Game Club Entering Grades 5-9
Tuesday, July 16 & Aug. 13
4-5:30 p.m • Large Meeting Room
Like video games? Like snacks? Take on new games and expand your skills in the Video Game Club. Register May 4 in person, by phone, or online.

Dig Into Minecraft! Zone Version Entering Grades 6-9
Wednesday, July 17 • 6-7:30 p.m.
Computer Lab
Join other Minecraft fans for an ultimate multi-player adventure! Play on one of our computers, or bring your own laptop or pad and join in the game. Snacks will be served. Register July 6 in person, by phone, or online.

Late Night Lock-in Entering Grades 6-9
Saturday, July 20 • 7 p.m.-Midnight
Large Meeting Room
Spend the night in the Library! You’re invited to join us for an evening of fun at EPL. Plan for games, movies, food, music and tons of laughs! Register June 29 in person, by phone, or online.

Cupcake Wars Entering Grades 6-9
Tuesday, July 30 • 2-3:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
The competition will be fierce and the food will be tasty! With a cupcake and a variety of toppings, complete different challenges. Entries judged on creativity, visual appeal, and taste; and there will be sweet prizes! Register June 6 in person, by phone, or online.

Drive In Movie: Oz: The Great and Powerful Entering Grades 6-9
Friday, Aug. 23 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
When a small-time magician is hurled from dusty Kansas to the Land of Oz, he thinks he’s hit the jackpot. With fame and fortune within his grasp, he meets three witches who could take it all away. Join us for a cinematic adventure complete with refreshments. Register Aug. 3 in person, by phone, or online.
**School-age Kids’ Programs**

### Get Ready, Get Set, Read!

**Entering Grade 1**
- **Tuesdays, July 2-23:** 10:30-11:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m., or 2-2:45 p.m.
- **Thursdays, July 11-25:** 10:30-11:15 a.m. or 12:30-1:15 p.m.

**Storytime Room**
Come along for reading games, crafts, music, and stories that will strengthen early reading skills. Register in person, by phone, or online, starting on May 18.

### Book Discussions

**Entering Grades 2-3**
Read the following books, then get together with other kids to participate in fun book-related activities. Books available at the Help Desk. **Storytime Room**

- **THE CAMPING TRIP THAT CHANGED AMERICA** by Barb Rosenstock
  - **Tuesday, July 2:** 3:30-4:30 p.m.
  - How did our National Parks come to be? It all started with the meeting of two very different men, President Theodore Roosevelt and Naturalist John Muir. Registration starts June 11 in person, by phone, or online.

- **LITTLE WOLF’S BOOK OF BADNESS** by Ian Whybrow
  - **Tuesday, July 9 or 16:** 3:30-4:30 p.m.
  - Little Wolf has been behaving too courteously, so his parents send him to his uncle’s Big Bad Wolf school to learn to be a proper wolf. Registration starts June 25 in person, by phone, or online.

- **DINOSAUR TROUBLE** by Dick King-Smith
  - **Tuesday, July 23 or 30:** 3:30-4:30 p.m.
  - When two dinosaurs become friends, they take on the biggest predator on the Great Plain. Registration starts July 9 in person, by phone, or online.

### Book Discussions Entering Grades 4-5

Read the following books and join us for a lively discussion and fun activities. Books available at the Help Desk. **Storytime Room**

- **A MUTINY IN TIME (INFINITY RING SERIES #1)** by James Dashner
  - **Monday, July 8:** 2-3 p.m.
  - Time has gone wrong, and best friends Dak Smyth and Sera Froste must use the infinity ring to travel back to one of the Great Breaks to correct history and defeat the evil SQ. Registration starts June 24 in person, by phone, or online.

- **RUMP: THE TRUE STORY OF RUMPELSTILTSKIN** by Liesl Shurtliff
  - **Monday, July 22:** 2-3 p.m.
  - In a magical kingdom where your name is your destiny, 12-year-old Rump is the butt of everyone’s joke. When he finds an old spinning wheel, he discovers he has a gift for spinning straw into gold. But magic can be dangerous. Registration starts July 8 in person, by phone, or online.

### Open Chess/Pokémon/LEGOs

**Ages 5-14 (under 7 w/ adult)**
- **Fridays, July 12 & 26, Aug. 9 & 23:** 7-8 p.m.
- **Storytime Room**
Bring your gaming cards and we’ll supply chess materials, LEGOs, and Pokémon mats.

### EPL/Villa Park Chess Club

**Ages 7-14**
- **Friday, July 5:** 7-8 p.m.
- **Kossmann Room at EPL**
- **Friday, July 19:** 7-8 p.m.
- **Villa Park Library (305 S. Ardmore)**
Improve skills and strategy while playing chess with other kids in Elmhurst and Villa Park. Bring your library card to each session.

### Dig Into Minecraft! Zone Version

**Entering Grades 1-5**
- **Wednesday, July 17:** 3-4:30 p.m.
- Computer Lab
Join other Minecraft fans for an ultimate multi-player adventure! Play on one of our computers, or bring your own laptop or pad and join in the game. You will need a free Minecraft account to play. Snacks will be served. Register July 6 in person, by phone, or online.

### LEGO Club Grades 3-8

- **Thursdays, July 18 or Aug. 15:** 6:30-7:30 or 8-9 p.m.
- **Storytime Room**
Registration starts July 6 (for 7-18) or Aug 3 (for 8-15) in person, by phone, or online.

### Summer Reading

**SUMMER READING**

**SIGN UP TODAY TO EARN PRIZES AND RAFFLE ENTRIES**

BMX Freestyle Bike Tricks  
**Entering Grades 2-8**
Friday, July 5 • 1-2 p.m.  
Large Meeting Room  
X-Games medalist, Matt Wilhelm will perform amazing bike stunts while instructing us on bicycle safety and how to become a champion. Registration starts June 11 in person, by phone, or online.

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LEGOLand Workshop: Build Picasso!  
**Entering Grades 2-8**
Friday, July 19  
1-2 p.m. or 2:30-3:30 p.m.  
Large Meeting Room  
Create an amazing and gigantic sculpture using the science and art of LEGOs and the help of LEGOLand instructors. Registration starts July 6 in person, by phone, or online.

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Be a World Traveler  
**Entering Grades 2-8**
Friday, July 12  
1-2 p.m. or 2:30-3:30 p.m.  
Large Meeting Room  
Travel the world without ever leaving the library! Geography has never been so much fun! Play Continent Twister, Where Do I Live? and Pen Pal Mystery. Registration starts June 29 in person, by phone, or online.

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Be an Ancient Egyptian Artist  
**Entering Grades 2-8**
Friday, July 26  
1-2 p.m. or 2:30-3:30 p.m.  
Large Meeting Room  
Create your own dazzling Egyptian sarcophagus and learn about ancient Egyptian art secrets with artist Marie Strauch. Dig into art! Registration starts July 13 in person, by phone, or online.

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**Preschool Kids’ Programs**

For ticketed programs: Bring your valid Elmhurst Public Library card to the Help Desk starting at 9 a.m. on the day of the event.

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**Littlest Storytime**  
**Newborn-11 months (w/ adult)**  
Wednesdays, Aug. 7-28  
9:15-9:45 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.  
**Storytime Room**  
In this interactive storytime, parents and caregivers rock, bounce and clap as they introduce their babies to songs and rhymes that assist them in taking the first steps toward language and literacy. Registration starts July 20 in person, by phone, or online.

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**Mother Goose Time Drop-in**  
**Age 1 (w/ adult)**  
Mondays, July 1-22 • Tuesdays, July 2–23  
9:30-10 a.m. • Storytime Room  
This action-filled program promotes language-based skills. Tickets available the morning of the program.

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**Rhyme Time Drop-in**  
**Ages 1-2 (w/ adult)**  
Every Saturday • 9:30-10 a.m.  
**Storytime Room**  
Stop by for entertaining stories and music to get little ones moving. Tickets available the morning of the program.

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**Wiggle Worms Storytime Drop-in**  
**Ages 1-3 (w/ adult)**  
Wednesdays, July 3-24 • 9:30-10 a.m.  
**Large Meeting Room**  
Join us for stories, nursery rhymes, and music that will keep little ones gleefully engaged. Tickets available the morning of the program.

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**Summer Sizzle**  
**Ages 1-3 (w/ adult)**  
Fridays, Aug. 2-30  
9:30-10 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.  
Tuesdays, Aug. 6-27  
9:30-10 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.  
**Large Meeting Room**  
Saunter over to the Library for stories, songs, and rhymes. Tickets available the morning of the program.

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**Road to Reading Drop In**  
**Ages 3-5**  
Wednesdays, July 3-24  
10:30-11 a.m. or 1-1:30 p.m.  
**Large Meeting Room**  
Tales packed with rhyme and lively musical activities make this a fun-filled time that promotes the pre-reading skills. Tickets available the morning of the program.

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**Monday Lunch Bunch Drop-in**  
**Ages 3-8 (w/ adult)**  
Mondays, July 1-29 • 12-12:45 p.m.  
**Large Meeting Room**  
Grab a blanket and a lunch to munch. We'll share stories that you'll like a bunch! We meet in the southwest corner of EPL in Wilder Park. Rain location: Large Meeting Room inside EPL. No registration necessary.

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**Toddler Time Drop-in**  
**Age 2 (w/ adult)**  
Thursdays, July 11-25 • 9:15-9:45 a.m.  
Fridays, July 5-26  
9:30-10 a.m. or 10:30-11 a.m.  
**Storytime Room**  
Come for stories, fingerplays, and musical activities that develop emerging language skills. Tickets available the morning of the program.

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**Bedtime Stories Drop-in**  
**Ages 3-8 (w/ adult)**  
Tuesdays, July 2-23 • 7-7:30 p.m.  
**Storytime Room**  
Join us before bedtime each week for stories, songs, and action rhymes that are fun for the whole family. Wear pajamas if you like! Tickets available at the morning of the program.
Family Programs

Bring your valid Elmhurst Public Library card to the Help Desk starting at 9 a.m. for admission to ticketed programs.

Quiz of the Week All Ages
Monday, July 1 - Saturday, Aug. 10
Kids’ Library Help Desk
Test your knowledge with a new quiz each week. Complete the quiz and receive a small prize.

Saturday Family Storytime Drop-in
All Ages (best for 3-7)
Saturdays, Aug. 3, 17, 24, 31
10:30-11 a.m. • Storytime Room
Enjoy a potpourri of terrific tales, rhymes, action verses and songs. Tickets available the morning of the program.

Dig into Fun at a Family Carnival!
For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Saturday, July 6 • 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Large Meeting Room
Join us for an indoor carnival of fun! Play carnival games, create fun crafts, and dig into some lively tales. Stories are at 10:30 a.m. in the Kossman Room. Tickets available the morning of the program.

Visit Nemo’s Home:
The Great Barrier Reef
For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Saturday, July 13 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Explore the largest living organism on earth, the Australian Great Barrier Reef, home to Disney’s Nemo. A digital, multi-image presentation is only the beginning. You’ll see an 8-foot inflatable coral, and you may even get to try on real diving gear! Tickets available the morning of the program.

Meet Some Big Diggers! Touch a Truck
For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Wednesday, July 10 • 1:30-3 p.m.
Outside EPL’s East Entrance
Meet some really big diggers when Elmhurst Public Works brings a big back hoe and front end loader to the Library. See big rigs up close! No registration necessary.

Open LEGO Building
Ages 4+ (under 7 w/ adult)
Monday, Aug. 12 • 1-3 p.m.
Storytime Room
Drop in as your schedule allows and build for fun. One-hour time limit if others are waiting.

Dig into Dancing! with Courts Plus
For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Saturday, July 27 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Large Meeting Room
Learn some easy dance moves as you enjoy a morning of exercise with Courts Plus instructors. Twist, twirl, and groove your way to a good time! Best for ages 3 and up. Participants will receive a Courts Plus CD of Tiny Twirls music. Tickets available the morning of the program.

Saturday Family Storytime Drop-in
All Ages (best for 3-7)
Saturdays, Aug. 3, 17, 24, 31
10:30-11 a.m. • Storytime Room
Enjoy a potpourri of terrific tales, rhymes, action verses and songs. Tickets available the morning of the program.

Very Funny Magic
with Dennis DeBondt
For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Saturday, Aug. 10 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Large Meeting Room
Magician and comedian Dennis DeBondt will keep you laughing and amazed by his dynamic performance and mysterious tricks! Magic and laughter are his winning combination for our big “Dig Into Reading” finale. Tickets available the morning of the program.

Melikin Puppets Present:
Fractured Fairy Tales
For Families (under 7 w/ adult)
Saturday, July 20 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.
You’ll love digging into the wacky side of classic fairy tales like Chicken Little, Red Riding Hood, and Goldilocks. Melikin’s extraordinary puppets will give you a lot to laugh about! Tickets available the morning of the program.
Coming Attractions

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Peek Ahead...

SEPTEMBER BOOK CHATS
Registration opens Monday, August 21

**In-house book discussion:**
*The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce
- Sept. 18 at 1 p.m.
- Sept. 19 at 1 p.m.
- Sept. 19 at 7 p.m.

**Book discussion at**
*Flight 112 Wine House: Age of Miracles*
by Karen Thompson Walker
Sept. 24 at 7 p.m.

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Library Closed:
Independence Day: Thursday, July 4
Staff Institute Day: Friday, August 23