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StoryWalk Invites Community to Walk, Read Together at Eldridge Park

Elmhurst, IL – In collaboration with the Elmhurst Park District and local Eagle Scout candidate, Tyler Janiak, the Library is excited to debut Elmhurst's community StoryWalk® Project this fall.

Janiak conceived the idea of providing his community with a StoryWalk® after learning about its mission to promote early literacy, physical activity, and family time together in nature. This matched up perfectly with Tyler's interests and is in line with both the Park District's and Library's outreach efforts, too. Additionally, Tyler prototyped the display panels, coordinated with stakeholders, raised funds, and built the stands for the StoryWalk® as part of his project.

The Elmhurst community StoryWalk® is located in Eldridge Park. The first panel can be found near the playground and follows the path that goes west, between the soccer fields.

Tomorrow I'll Be Kind by Jessica Hische is the debut StoryWalk® title. The whole community is invited to participate.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson on Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



Tyler Janiak, an Eagle Scout candidate from Elmhurst, coordinated with Elmhurst Public Library and Elmhurst Park District to install a StoryWalk in Eldridge Park as part of his Eagle Scout service project.



The StoryWalk in Eldridge Park features the children's book by Jessica Hische: Tomorrow I'll Be Kind. By walking along the path, the community can enjoy the outdoors while reading a story together.