

# Library Director's Report

## September 4, 2025

**Did you know?** The Drake Learning Center is 1 year old!

### Total Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24*	10,495	11,293	9,473	9,687	9,579	9,865	10,639	9,311	10,520	9,726	10,096	9,664	120,348
2024-25	10,268	9,862	8,958	9,648	9,778	9,579	10,132	9,798	11,210	10,570	9,398	9,529	118,730
2025-26	9,133												9,133
% change	11.2%												-92.3%

### E-book only Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24*	2,320	2,401	2,115	2,229	2,078	2,241	2,555	2,287	2,491	2,513	2,408	2,325	27,963
2024-25	2,754	2,590	2,355	2,387	2,650	2,770	3,048	2,864	3,282	2,982	2,839	2,945	33,461
2025-26	2,863												2,863
% change	4%												-91.4%

### Public Computer and Wi-Fi Sessions

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24*	1,551	1,568	1,248	1,664	1,541	1,426	1,189	2,376	3,471	3,145	2,729	2,222	24,400
2024-25	2,159	2,404	2,228	2,761	2,877	2,536	2,832	2,736	2,851	3,317	2,964	1,966	31,631
2025-26													
% change													

### Visits

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24*	7,870	8,336	7,747	6,067	6,061	6,163	5,542	6,285	8,267	7,282	7,464	7,540	84,624
2024-25	7,223	7,438	6,496	7,572	6,388	5,842	6,892	6,055	7,162	7,482	7,522	7,276	83,348
2025-26	7,468	6,874											14,342
% change	3.4%	-7.6%											-82.8%

### WiFi Hotspot Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24	n/a	n/a	n/a	123	24	28	24	26	34	26	32	35	352
2024-25	21	19	20	25	61	23	23	24	23	16	24	20	299
2025-26	19												
% change	-9.5%												

\*From Feb – Aug 2024, library operations were significantly impacted by construction that closed study rooms and a leak that reduce access to the collections.

## WCCLS Activities

- WCCLS was successful in the most recent Polaris Upgrade.
- WCCLS with support of local library directors, are presenting throughout the county on the upcoming WCCLS Levy.

## Library Activities

### Adult Services & Youth Services

- Summer reading programming concluded with a Foam Party Celebration! We had 177 complete summer reading out of 1,597 registrants, about 11% finishing rate. Together they read 7,351 hours this summer!
- Throughout the month of August, 50 STEAM literacy kits were distributed at story time, summer reading events, and the bookmobile at the park! These were in partnership to Early Learning Washington County and United Way of the Columbia-Willamette.
- A successful teen gaming event was held in the library with laser tag!
- Storytimes were on hiatus the last two weeks in August, and ready to start in September with toddler play, Movers & Shakers, and Bilingual Storytime!
- This month we featured art from the Glencoe High School AP Art class.

### Outreach and Volunteer Services

- **370** volunteer hours were logged for the month of August.
- Onboarded 1 new volunteer, 4 teen volunteers stepped back as they prep for back to school.
- Outreach attended 3 Cornelius Farmers Market events, interacting with 248 visitors and distributing over 140 books.
- Outreach hosted bookmobile events at Harleman and Mariposa Parks, interacting with 155 visitors and distributing over 80 books.
- Outreach attended National Night Out, where we were joined by WCCLS. Interacted with 274 visitors and distributed about 165 books.
- Outreach attended Echo Shaw's Back to School Night and shared information about the library with 98 students and their families.

### Administration

- Welcome Ben White, our new Library IT Analyst! He has hit the ground running by attending the Cornelius Elementary School Grand Opening celebration and handing out library information, learning front desk day to day tasks, touring the library and other city departments, and supporting with the recruitment of work study students at Pacific University!
- Long time library aide, Paula Burrell, and recent library aide, Yvet Gaspar, have resigned due to other work and/or continuing education obligations! We wish them the best on their next chapter!
- Held a one-day training with staff on goal setting and planning for next year's goals.





*Story time in the Plaza*



*Face Painting at National Night Out*



*Firefighters joining the Foam Party*



*End of Summer Reading Foam Party*



*Meet the Artists: Glencoe AP Art Class*



*Pickleball in the Library*



*Teen Laser Tag*