

Kenton County Public Library

Educator Services



The Kenton County Public Library has several special services for educators (early childhood through post secondary and homeschool) to support and extend classroom activities.

Educator Cards, Collections and Loans

Educator cards, collections and loans are available to educators who teach in Kenton County childcare centers, public schools, private schools, colleges/universities and home schools and to educators who live in Kenton County and teach elsewhere.

- ▶ To obtain an educator card, which may be used **only for educator collections and loans and not for personal use**, the educator must provide current proof of employment and a form of personal identification. Educator cards expire one year from the date of issue. Cards are renewable with new school year identification. A person who provides home schooling also qualifies for an educator card. Home educators must provide the documentation required by their school district. In-home day care providers must show state certification.
- ▶ Educator cards are limited to 100 items per 28-day loan period. Educators may ask librarians to select up to 30 items with 10 specific titles for a teacher collection. Educators may personally select additional items. Holiday items may be limited. **Please make requests at least two weeks in advance of the date needed.** Requests may be made in person, by phone, or through our website. Requested items must be picked up at the Children's Services Desk at each Library location.
- ▶ Educator loan collections may be returned to any Kenton County Public Library location. As a service to teachers, Children's Department staff automatically renew educator items up to a maximum of five times. An item cannot be renewed if another patron has a hold on it. Staff will notify teachers of non-renewal status via email only. Teacher accounts have a 14 day grace period after due date, before standard fines begin to accrue retroactively to original due date. Quick Picks can never be renewed and should be checked out on personal cards only.

School Visits

Librarians are available to visit schools and classrooms for curriculum support, storytimes, book discussions, explanation of library resources, or question and answer sessions. **Please schedule visits at least two weeks in advance** by contacting the Children's Department or Teen Services.

Covington Library Branch

Children

Kari.Jones @ kentonlibrary.org
(859) 962-4079

William E. Durr Library Branch (Independence)

Jenny.Schwartz @ kentonlibrary.org
(859) 962-4087

Erlanger Library Branch

Lise.Tewes @ kentonlibrary.org
(859) 962-4147

Teens

Erin.DeSantis @ kentonlibrary.org
(859) 962-4068

Jessy.Griffith @ kentonlibrary.org
(859) 962-4255

LeAnn.Long @ kentonlibrary.org
(859) 962-4149

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Special Resources and Services

Discovery Packs

These kits include books, DVDs, CDs, and manipulatives. Current topics include colors, shapes, transportation, animals, five senses, learning Spanish, and others. To find all kits, search the public library catalog using the title search term **Discovery pack**.

Illustrator Kits:

These kits include books, CDs, DVDs, and manipulatives. Current topics include H.A. Rey, Maurice Sendak, Eric Carle, and others. To find all kits, search the public library catalog using the title search term **Illustrator kit**.

Database Training:

Databases are available to assist educators and students in the research and learning process, both in the classroom and from home, by using your Library card. Librarians are available to teach faculty and students the use of library resource databases in subject areas such as culture, science, the arts, and languages.

Book Kits:

Book discussion kits are available for small groups (up to 15 participants). To see specific titles for young adults and children, search the public library catalog using the title search terms **YA book discussion kit** or **Children's book club kit**.

Curriculum Packs:

These kits for elementary school age children include books, CDs, DVDs, and manipulatives. Topics include anatomy, phonics, art, spelling, grammar, math, world cultures and others. To find all kits, search the public library catalog using the title search term **Curriculum pack**.

Digital Downloads:

Download audiobooks, ebooks, music and movies at home using your Library card. No late fees!

STREAM Lessons:

You may request a librarian to visit your classroom and present a STREAM Lesson. Learn more: www.kentonlibrary.org/streamlessons

Discovery, Curriculum Packs and Illustrator Kits are kept at the Erlanger Branch. Children's and YA Book Kits are kept at the Covington Branch. Any kit or pack is able to be placed on request and picked up at any library location. Request one at <http://catalog.kentonlibrary.org>

Classroom Tours and Student Library Cards

Librarians are available to give class tours of the library. Class visits may include storytimes, book talks, library tour, browsing, and checking out books and other library items at the educator's discretion. To arrange a class tour, please call the Children's Department or Teen Services at least two weeks before your requested tour date (see contact information on first page). At the college or university level, please contact a Librarian from one of our Adult Services Departments. If someone in your group needs special assistance such as interpretation, please mention this request when you call for your class tour.

Upon request, library card applications for students may be obtained in advance of tour dates. If the applications are returned to the library **no less than one week prior** to the class visit, student library cards will be ready when the class comes to the library.

Other Educator Resources

To complement its collection, the library offers a real-time online virtual reference desk, which is open during regular library hours. Go to: www.kentonlibrary.org/ask