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Contact: Clair Dunlap, Youth Services Librarian
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Re: Free Summer Fun for Teens and Tweens at NOLS

The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) invites teens and tweens to enjoy a series of free programs created just for them.

“In our rural community, there are not many activities for teens and tweens to do when school and after-school activities end in the summer,” said Youth Services Librarian Clair Dunlap. “Free activities at the public library give them a safe space to spend time, make connections as they transition to middle or high school, and learn something new.”

Visit NOLS.org/events for the full schedule of events.

Teen Vision Boards

Forks Branch Library, 171 S. Forks Ave., Tuesday, July 8, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Teens can create a vision board with images and words that reflect their goals and dreams. Supplies will be provided.

Pajama Movie Night for Teens

Port Angeles Main Library, 2210 S. Peabody St., Tuesday, July 8, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Teens in grades 7-12 can wear their pajamas or comfortable clothes to a screening of the 2010 animated classic “How to Train Your Dragon” (PG). Enjoy free pizza and snacks at this event, designed by the library’s Teen Advisory Board.

Tween Time

Port Angeles Main Library, 2210 S. Peabody St., Thursdays, July 10-31, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Each week, tweens in grades 4-6 can try a different activity like designing artist trading cards, playing board games, crafting friendship bracelets and puppets, and learning to sew by hand. Supplies and snacks will be provided.

Junk Journaling Workshop for Tweens and Teens

Forks Branch Library, 171 S. Forks Ave., Tuesday, July 15, from 10 a.m. to noon

Local artist Heather Gaddy of the Heather Sky Project will share how to use journals, reclaimed materials, and imagination as a pathway to self-expression. The workshop is perfect for teens experiencing anxiety or mental health struggles. A free journal and supplies will be provided.

Artist Trading Cards for Teens

Port Angeles Main Library, 2210 S. Peabody St., Tuesday, July 15, from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Teens in grades 7-12 can create original cards that are small pieces of art. Express yourself with creative supplies provided by the library. Keep your cards, or swap with others at the end of the event!

Teen Writing Workshop with author Kendare Blake

Port Angeles Main Library, 2210 S. Peabody St., Tuesday, July 22, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

In this workshop led by #1 NYT Bestselling author Kendare Blake, discuss various techniques to bring settings to life. Teens will learn about descriptive language, using tone to create atmosphere, and treating the setting as a character from the start.

STEAM Teen Adventure

Clallam Bay Branch Library, 16990 Hwy. 112, Thursday, July 24, from 5 to 6 p.m.

Teens and tweens can build innovative projects, solve challenges and explore creative ideas that encourage critical thinking and collaboration. Dinner will be provided.

Printmaking for Teens – Register in advance.

- **Port Angeles Main Library, 2210 S. Peabody St., Tuesday, July 29, from 3 to 5 p.m.**
- **Dungeness River Nature Center, 1943 W. Hendrickson Rd., Sequim, Wednesday, July 30, from 4 to 6 p.m.**

Create your own design and carve it into a rubber stamp, then make prints that you can hang up, make into cards, or give to your friends. Space is limited so please register in advance for this free workshop for teens in grades 7–12 led by teaching artist Jaiden Dokken.

Teen Game Afternoon

Port Angeles Main Library, 2210 S. Peabody St., Tuesday, August 5, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Choose from a variety of board games, cards, or classics like chess and backgammon. Snacks will be provided.

About the Summer Reading Program

These events are part of the “Level Up at Your Library” Summer Reading Program, running through Aug. 23. Sign up for the all-ages reading challenge, earn a T-shirt or tote bag, enter to win prizes and participate in free events.

For more information about the Summer Reading Program, visit NOLS.org/srp, call 360-417-8500, or email discover@nols.org. The Summer Reading Program is generously supported by local Friends of the Library groups.

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