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**North Olympic Library System**  
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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Date: February 19, 2019  
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Re: BLOCK Fest™ at the Forks Branch Library  
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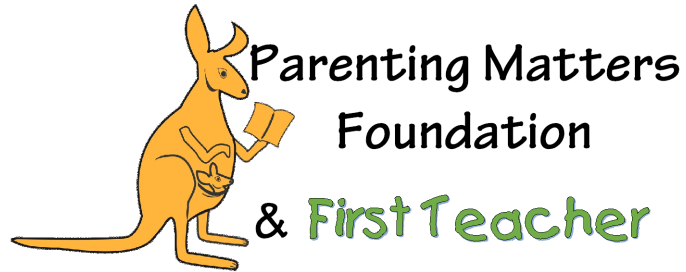
Parenting Matters Foundation and the First Teacher Program will bring back the popular BLOCK Fest™ program to the Forks Branch Library of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) on Friday, March 8 at 10:30am.

BLOCK Fest™ is a research-based block play program geared towards children from 8 months to 8 years with their caregivers. Children and adults can rotate from station to station in a self-guided tour to play with a variety of different blocks. Parents and caregivers must accompany their child and are strongly encouraged to join in the play. Socks are required for children and adults participating in this event.

BLOCK Fest™ in Clallam County was initially supported by a generous grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to the Parenting Matters Foundation of Sequim, Washington. More information about the Parenting Matters Foundation, the First Teacher Program, and the research behind the BLOCK Fest™ phenomenon will be available at the event and can also be found by visiting [www.clallamblockfest.org](http://www.clallamblockfest.org).

### **Additional Information**

The Forks Branch Library is located at 171 Forks Avenue South. For more information about this and other programs for youth, visit [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org), call 360.374.6402, or email Youth@nols.org.



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