

ConnectEd

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WILLARD LIBRARY

7 W. Van Buren St., Battle Creek, MI 49017

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Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday (Sept. - April) 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

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VIRTUAL Menu for Educators

The following programs are designed for educators to learn more about the resources and services provided by Willard Library. Educators can request these programs by sending an email to: childrens_services@willardlibrary.org



Appetizers

Guest Reader:

Have a theme you're studying with your class, or are you celebrating literacy in your classroom? Why not invite one of our wonderful library staff members to virtually read to your class? The virtual visit will last approximately 15-30 minutes and will include a story, an overview of library services, and a short question and answer session for students.

Tumblebooks-Grades K-4:

Learn how to use the Tumblebook Library online survive in the classroom and how students may access it from home.

Tumblebook Cloud Jr-Grades 5-8:

This overview of Tumblebook Cloud Junior will illustrate how to use the online service in the classroom and how students may access it from home.

Main Courses

ConnectEd and Digital Apps:

Students have access to so much digital content with just their student ID number! We'll teach them how to access all the library has to offer, without ever stepping foot in the building -- including Hoopla (music, movies, tv, audiobooks) Libby (ebooks and audiobooks), Freegal (music), and RBDigital (magazines).

Virtual Library Visit:

Take a virtual (pre-recorded) tour of the children's room at the library and learn about all the fun things Willard has to offer.

Research Projects:

Elementary: Learn how to search for a topic in our catalog, how to locate resources in the library, and how to record what you find. Secondary: Learn how to search for sources in our catalog, in our online databases, and using google scholar. We'll teach tips and tricks for getting the most out of each search engine. We will also cover how to identify credible sources with an emphasis on information literacy.

Searching MeL Databases:

This program provides an overview of all the curriculum support through the Library of Michigan's database called MeL. Learn more about the resources MeL provides, and how to use them in your classroom.

Desserts

Book Talks (elementary and secondary):

Hear about some of the latest and greatest books available at the library! A librarian will highlight age-appropriate books and provide a brief tutorial on how to find them through our digital content.

Book Club:

A teacher or librarian will lead students in a book club. Willard provides copies of the selected book in advance as well as discussion questions. For a list of books go to tinyurl.com/willardbookclub

Special Treats

To Go Orders:

Teachers who have a big project or need more resources on a particular topic are invited to fill out the "To Go Order" order form at tinyurl.com/willardteachers. A librarian will gather the materials you need and have them waiting for you to pick up.

Educator Cards:

Classroom educators who reside outside of Willard Library's service area are eligible for an educator card. To receive a card, bring a recent pay stub and a photo ID to either library location.

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