June 2026

Four Valleys Community School

The season is flying by, and we've been having an incredible time at FVCS. From biking and hiking to soccer, games, and evening walks with local specialists, we've been building friendships and exploring all that makes summer in Girdwood so special. We can't wait to see what the second half of summer has in store!

Intermediate Art Camp



Unleash your creativity at Intermediate Art Camp!

Students will explore new artistic techniques, build confidence, and create unique projects in a fun and supportive environment.

Register today to secure your spot.

Curious about financial aid? Visit registration links below.

Register Here!

Summer Outdoor Playground

Summer Outdoor Playground is the perfect way for kids to spend time outdoors, make new friends, and have fun! Each session includes a group game, a simple art project, outdoor exploration, and plenty of time at the playground.

Flexible weekly registration!







Summer Adventure Camps

Summer Adventure Camps have been a huge success this year! Our morning sessions are sold out, but we still have space available in our afternoon camps for students entering grades 4+.



Join us next week for **Nature as Art**, where campers will explore the outdoors through creative projects and enjoy a **watercolor lesson with Amanda Faith Thompson.**

Or sign up for **Bike Camp** during the first full week of July. **In partnership with Powder Hound and Alyeska Bike Shop,** campers will learn basic bike maintenance, build their riding skills, and enjoy plenty of time on the trails.

Nature as Art

Bike Skills





Summer Soccer is in full swing!

Kids ages 3 through teens are enjoying soccer every Monday and Friday. A huge thank you to Coach Chloe for making the season so much fun and helping our players build skills and confidence on the field.





Summer Speaker Series

We've enjoyed two great evening walks so far this summer and are looking forward to three more. Coming up in July: insects, local ecology, and lichens!

These programs are free, but we welcome donations to help cover administrative costs. A suggested donation of $5 is appreciated.

Learn More!



Community Connections

JULY 2026

Scott & Wesley Gerrish Library

250 Egloff Dr. | (907) 343-4024

*Call or email **LibraryGirdwood@anchorageak.gov** to request ADA accommodations*

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 **10:30AM** Family Storytime **3:30PM** Plant and Play	**2** **4PM** Game Night	**3** **Gerrish Library Closed for Forest Fair**	**4** **APL Libraries Closed in observance of Independence Day**
7 **10:30AM** Free Play Mornings	**8** **10:30AM** Family Storytime **3:30PM** Comic Workshop w/ Lee Post	**9** **4PM** Game Night	**10**	**11** **2PM** Teen Driving Practice with Center for Safe Alaskans
14 **10:30AM** Free Play Mornings	**15** **10:30AM** Family Storytime **3:30PM** Magic by Robbie	**16** **4PM** Game Night	**17**	**18**
21 **10:30AM** Free Play Mornings	**22** **10:30AM** Family Storytime **3:30PM** Artist Trading Cards (ATC)	**23** **4PM** Game Night	**24**	**25** **4:30PM** Cookbook Club
28 **10:30AM** Free Play Mornings	**29** **10:30AM** Family Storytime **12PM** Employment Resource Fair **3:30PM** Color-A-Smile	**30** **4PM** Game Night	**31**	

HOURS OF OPERATION

Tuesday:	10:00am—6:00pm
Wednesday:	10:00am—6:00pm
Thursday:	10:00am—6:00pm
Friday:	10:00am—6:00pm
Saturday:	10:00am—6:00pm
Sunday:	CLOSED
Monday:	CLOSED

LIBRARY NEWS

GERRISH LIBRARY CLOSURES

- July 3 :Forest Fair
- July 4 : In observance of Independence Day

SUMMER DISCOVERY 2026

- Don't forget to complete and turn in your Summer Discovery log for a chance to win great prizes!

ANCHORAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

anchoragelibrary.org

STORYTIME

FAMILY STORYTIME

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM

A half hour of stories, songs, and movement that build early literacy skills. It's a blend of fun and education for children birth through kindergarten and their caregivers.

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FREE PLAY MORNINGS

Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

Play with library toys, make friends and check out books!



TEEN

TEEN DRIVING PRACTICE WITH CENTER FOR SAFE ALASKANS

Saturday, July 11, 2 PM

Join the Center for Safe Alaskans for a teen driving practice test.

The Center for Safe Alaskans offers a free computer-based driving tool to test teen's (aged 13+) ability to handle road hazards. Drivers see right away how they did and how they compare to other drivers. They'll get tips to learn safe driving skills through short videos.

Driving test takes approx. 20 minutes.

ALL AGES

GAME NIGHT

Thursdays at 4 PM

Use our wide variety of board, dice, or card games or play with our Wii, Nintendo Switch or X-box or bring your own game!

SUMMER DISCOVERY

PLANT AND PLAY

Wednesday, July 1, 3:30 PM

Plant a seed, then stick around for free play, bubbles, and sidewalk chalk! Best for ages 6+ with caregiver; all families welcome. Event will be on outside lawn weather permitting.

COMICS WORKSHOP W/ LEE POST

Wednesday, July 8, 3:30 PM

Learn to draw your own comics! Sketch with cartoonist Lee Post in a fast-paced, no-stress, and fun cartooning session for all skill levels and ages.

MAGIC BY ROBBIE

Wednesday, July 15, 3:30 PM

Magician Robbie Cannon has been entertaining audiences for over 25 years and is thrilled to bring his magic back to APL! Perfect for magic fans of all ages, this show promises to mystify and delight!

SUMMER DISCOVERY

ARTIST TRADING CARDS (ATC)

Wednesday, July 22, 3:30 PM

Learn about making and trading Artist Trading Cards-- an easy way to express yourself and build up an original art collection. Suggested for ages 10+, but everyone's welcome.

COLOR-A-SMILE

Wednesday, July 29, 3:30 PM

All are welcome to join in coloring pictures to donate to people in need of some cheer.

Color A Smile is a nonprofit organization that distributes cheerful drawings to senior citizens, our troops overseas, and anyone in need of a smile. Every month they mail thousands of new drawings to the recipients on their mailing list. Since 1990, Color A Smile has given out millions of cheerful drawings. That's a lot of smiles!

CHECK OUT THE WEEKLY EVENTS AT THESE OTHER LOCATIONS:

Loussac:
Tuesdays at 2:30 PM

Chugiak-Eagle River:
Thursdays at 12 PM

Mountain View:
Fridays at 2 PM

Muldoon:
Saturdays at 11:30 AM

ADULTS

EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE FAIR

Wednesday, July 29, 12 PM

Join us for resource fairs at Anchorage Public Library branches! Get a benefits interview with a Public Assistance employee, including SNAP and Medicaid benefits. Apply for jobs with Goodwill. Chat with a VA Outreach Social Worker. Learn the transit app from the People Mover Travel Trainer and match your skills with available jobs and find recruiting options with a Job Center expert.

GERRISH COOKBOOK CLUB

Saturday, July 25, 4:30 PM

Join us as for July Cookbook Club! Make and share recipes from your favorite cookbooks!



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