## Youth Services Department

We provide services and materials for infants through eighth-graders, their parents, teachers, and others who work with young people.

Special areas include early readers, read-aloud, audio books, videos, DVDs, magazines, easy nonfiction, foreign language, and a wealth of other materials. CD-ROMs are available to enhance learning.

Teachers and youth group leaders may find magazines, books, and other materials for group projects at the library.

#### **Check Out Our Website**

Our website contains up-to-date information about Youth and Young Adult Services. We provide homework help through links on our website to a wide number of resources.

www.orlandparklibrary.org Click on "Kids's Corner" and "Teen Territory."

#### **Youth Services Staff**

Head of Youth Services Diane Norris-Kuczynski

Assistant Head of Youth Services
Becky McCormack

School Liaison Kara DeCarlo

Library Director Mary K. Weimar

#### **Library Hours**

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Orland Park Public Library

14921 Ravinia Avenue Orland Park, IL 60462 708-428-5127 Fax: 708-428-5187 www.orlandparklibrary.org Orland Park Public Library

# School





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#### **Assignment Alerts**

When you assign work to your students that involves library research, we do our best to assist them in finding the information they need. An assignment alert will enable us to set aside the needed materials and guide your students through their search. Assignment alerts can be made with a phone call, fax, email, or by regular mail.

## Tours for Classes, Teachers, and School Visits

Classes are welcome to visit the library for an orientation and tour. If you would like to schedule a tour of the library for your class, club, or other group, please call to arrange a date and time. We are also able to visit your classroom for special programs, booktalks, and database instruction. Please allow a one-month notice when calling to arrange a tour or visit.

#### **Displays**

We encourage Orland Park schools to use library space to exhibit art work. Sign up information for the Youth Service Department's monthly art exhibit is sent to the school art teachers at the beginning of each school year.

#### **Reference Services**

- What NativeAmerican tribe lived in the Orland Park area?
- Where can I find directions for making a puppet?
- Do you have a poem about a girl who wouldn't take out the garbage?
- Why is the moon sometimes called "a blue moon?"

The library staff can help you find answers to questions like these and many others. We enjoy the challenging questions as well as the mundane.

## **Book Lists and Professional Tools**

We have a great number of topical bibliographies for your use as well as for your students. The library subscribes to many professional educational magazines. There is a professional nonfiction section available with helpful and current titles. We also have a substantial collection of parenting books and magazines available for checkout. You may wish to refer parents to these resources when they ask for your help with concerns.

#### **Teacher Loan Cards**

Teacher loan cards are available for borrowing classroom materials. More information can be found in the *Teacher Loan Card* brochure available online at www.orlandparklibrary.org

#### **PAL Pages**

The Youth Services Department publishes an informational newsletter three times per school year. This helpful resource highlights new books and programs for teachers. This will be available on our website as well as emailed to the media specialists.

#### **Textbook Shelf**

The library houses copies of District 135, District 146, and some parochial school textbooks currently in use. Students may use these books in the library in the event they forgot their texts at school.

#### PAL PAKS

Teachers may request materials for their classroom through our PAL PAK program. These boxes provide supplemental materials which enhance the fine school libraries in the district. Please see the PAL PAK brochure for more details.