



After School @ the Library

The St. Croix Falls Public Library's After School program is a safe place for kids ages 8 + in our community to go after school. We offer guided activities from 3:30-5 PM Monday through Thursday and encourage all kids who use the library afterschool to participate. Program activities vary, but all focus on fun, learning and creativity. The Youth Activities Calendar is available on the [library's website](#)

Ground Rules Kids must be at least 8 years old to use the library afterschool without a parent or guardian. Using the library afterschool is not equivalent to childcare.

This means students may come and go from the library when they wish, they may use computers unsupervised, browse our collection, interact with other patrons, and check out materials. If parents and caregivers have different rules for their child when at the library, that should be communicated between parent and child; librarians are not responsible for enforcement of family rules. As library users, kids are responsible for maintaining a quiet volume, respecting library space and materials and for cleaning up after themselves. Failure to clean up their space will result in a conversation with parents/caregivers.

Computers are available in the library and parents should be aware many kids come to the library to play on computers. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to talk to their kids about responsible media practices in terms of the content and the length of their time spent in front of a screen. Visit <https://www.aap.org/en-us/advocacy-and-policy/aap-health-initiatives/pages/media-and-children.aspx> for more information on how to set healthy boundaries for your kids.

Check In Kids using the library afterschool will check in using their library cards. Cards can be picked up when leaving the library. This enables kids to be accounted for and librarians to be more involved with the kids coming in and out of the library. Be sure to register your child for a library card. It's a great lifelong tool! Kids may not use the back door to enter or exit the library. Please pick your child up using the main library entrance. Kids may take the bus to the library after school. Please provide a note to the school office if your child will be riding the bus.

Partners The Friends of the Library provide snacks and art supplies, keeping this program free for your family. However, donations are more than welcome. Snacks, art supplies, technology, cooking or science supplies, a gift card to a grocery store, etc. are great ideas for supporting the after school program. Your support is much appreciated and adds to the great things the library does in the community.

If your child will be using the library after school, we encourage you to return the attached form to the SCFPL.

Thank you,

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After School at the SCFPL Registration

Child's Name: _____

DOB: _____ Grade in School: _____

Child's Phone Number: _____

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____

Parent/Caregiver Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Child's Interests/Hobbies:

Requests/Ideas for After School programming? (What do you want to see happening at the SCFPL?!)

Which days do you foresee being able to attend After School at the SCFPL? (Mondays-Thursdays)

Child Notes (i.e. allergies, behavioral notes, etc.):

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have read all rules and policies on the back of this form and discussed them with my child. I am comfortable allowing my child to participate in the SCFPL's After School at the Library program and support library staff in ensuring a positive library experience for my child.

Parent/Caregiver Signature Date

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I have read all rules and policies with my parent or guardian and I agree to abide by these rules whilst in the library. I have a library card and will check in at the Create Space (Back Room) when entering and before leaving the library. I will label any snacks I bring into the library and I will clean up everything I have used before leaving.

Child Signature Date