

National Library Week - April 3-9, 2022

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Connect with Your Library During National Library Week

Carroll County, MD – Carroll County Public Library (CCPL) encourages all community members to visit their library in person or online to explore and access services and programs. CCPL offers a wide array of programs, classes and resources including the library's newest location, Exploration Commons at 50 East.

April 3-9, 2022 is National Library Week, a time to highlight the essential role libraries, librarians and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. The theme for this year's National Library Week is "Connect with Your Library," which promotes the idea that libraries are places to get connected to technology by using broadband, computers, and other resources. Libraries also offer opportunities to connect with media, programs, ideas, and classes, in addition to books. Most importantly, libraries also connect communities to each other.

Even more reason to celebrate Carroll's libraries, is the fact that the system has been named once again as a four-star library by *Library Journal*. Only two other library systems in Maryland received a star rating. Offering 2,431 educational activities for over 50,000 participants in FY21, CCPL connects Carroll's residents with educational and entertaining programs enriching lives. With over half the population of the County as active library card holders, Carroll is a community of readers. The system's circulation of items grew to over 2.1 million last year. That translates to each card holder checking out an average of 12.58 physical or digital items.

Libraries of all types continue to go above and beyond to keep their communities connected by expanding resources and embracing inclusion in their programming, resources, and collections. Libraries across the country are making a difference in people's lives by providing electronic learning resources like online homework help and wi-fi access for students and workers who may lack internet access at home.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April.

For more information, visit the library's website at library.carr.org.

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