

Library Grateful for Douglas ESD Partnership
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One of the biggest wins in Roseburg Public Library's first five years is our partnership with the Douglas Education Service District (ESD).

The collaboration started in 2017 when the City of Roseburg and Douglas ESD agreed to share the library building with the goal of developing efficient use of public space.

Over the years our connection has deepened to the point that I don't know what we would do without the amazing folks on the east side of the building.

We have had a lot opportunities to work together, more than I can list, but there are several highlights.

Along with Umpqua Community College, we sponsored the College in the Community speaker series in 2019 and 2020 in which subject matter experts presented their research to the public.

The Oregon Technology Access Program allowed the library to use their 3D printer in a public maker space forum. Our goal is to revive the maker program this spring; keep an eye on this space for details.

Youth Services Librarian Aurora Ropp curated a collection of library books for the Horizons Foster Education Program media center in 2019. Now Horizons students visit the library once a month, and Aurora teaches an information literacy unit then oversees a hands-on craft activity.

We will celebrate our partnership at the library's five-year anniversary celebration from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6. City and Douglas ESD officials will share brief remarks at 10:30 a.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Please join us as we reflect on five years of success and renew our commitment to serving the community's literacy and lifelong learning needs together.

Library Closed Through Dec. 26

Roseburg Public Library will be closed through Tuesday, Dec. 26 for Christmas. Regular hours will resume at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27.

The book drop located in the parking lot will be locked during this time. Please hang onto items until the library reopens. The library does not assess late fees.

The library's digital platforms, cloudLibrary and Libby, are available 24/7.

Winter Reading Program Ends Saturday

The library's Winter Reading Program is coming to a close.

All youth reading logs and book review forms must be submitted by 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30 to be eligible for prizes.

Adults must submit their log and book review forms by 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5 to be eligible for prizes.

Information about the Winter Reading Program is available on the library's website at www.roseburgpubliclibrary.org.

This Week's Library Events

Wednesday, December 27, 10 a.m. – Grab-and-go craft kits while supplies last

Wednesday, December 27, 10:15 a.m. – Storytime with Aurora

Wednesday, December 27, 3 p.m. – STEAM program for elementary students

Thursday, December 28, 10:15 a.m. – Storytime with Aurora

Thursday, December 28, 3-4 p.m. – Seasonal kids crafts

Thursday, December 28, 6:30 p.m. – Silent Book Group