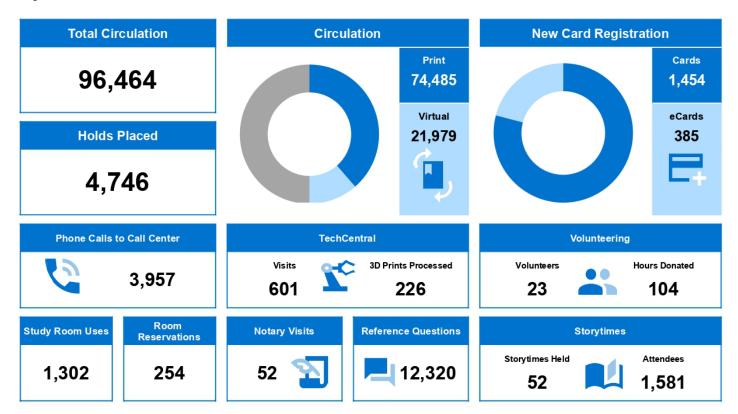


Monthly Report August 2024

Fiscal Year Oct. 2023 - Sept. 2024

Location	Print Circulation	Visitors	Computer Sessions (including WiFi)	Programming
Hart Memorial	18,762	21,017	80,291	57 Events & Activities, 596 Participants
St. Cloud	26,086	12,155	21,680	66 Events & Activities, 2,256 Participants
Poinciana	9,722	10,586	31,448	40 Events & Activities, 1,341 Participants
Buenaventura Lakes	5,625	6,507	19,138	51 Events & Activities, 1,168 Participants
West Osceola	13,898	13,468	25,525	51 Events & Activities, 1,226 Participants
Kenansville	104	84	3,184	N/A
Narccossee	169	22	N/A	N/A
Reunion	69	16	N/A	N/A
Total	74,435	63,855	181,266	350 Events & Activities, 8,216 Participants

System Stats at a Glance



Poinciana Library backpack event a huge success



The Poinciana Library partnered with the Early Learning Coalition of Osceola and District 2 Commissioner Brandon
Arrington to provide families in the Poinciana community with school supplies, backpacks and a wonderful community celebration focused on fun and learning. Over 500 people attended this back-to-school event. The Early Learning Coalition distributed backpacks, provided outdoor games and activities, engaged iHeart Radio's Rumba 100.3 to provide entertainment, and secured community vendors like Osceola Reads and Marco



Polo educational
software to distribute
helpful materials.
Participants even had the
chance to win raffled
Disney tickets for
attending. During the
two-hour event, the
Poinciana Library staff
created 23 library cards

and patrons checked out more than 100 items. Commissioner Arrington donated remaining school supplies to the Library to distribute to Poinciana families at library programs.



BioDrops summer camp returns to B V L Library

The BVL Library hosted its second BioDrops summer camp presented by the University of Central Florida's Materials Science and Engineering Department. Started as a grant-funded program from the National Institute of Science, this week-long program aims to make the science of phase separation and biomaterials (think oil and vinegar in salad dressing or a lava lamp) accessible to young people. The classes were hands-on, messy and tons of fun, presented in Spanish and English. 58 kids attended five days of workshops taught by UCF students.





Wonderbooks added to children's collection

The Library has added Wonderbooks to its children's collection. Wonderbooks combine popular children's titles with the audiobook format to enhance reading comprehension. Created by the makers of Launchpad tablets, a very popular recent addition to the Library's collection, these innovative items will allow young readers to engage with stories through read-along audio and interactive discussion questions. 20 Wonderbooks have been selected to start.



The St. Cloud Library will receive the collection initially with the collection available for holds across all branches. Future orders will include sing-alongs and bilingual titles to support language learning. The Wonderbooks collection is featured on the Library's website in the Library of Things, Kids and Babies to Pre-K sections.

St. Cloud hosts popular Kids Crafter's Fair

Kid crafters gathered at the St. Cloud Library to showcase their talents.

Tables lined the interior of the Library where junior artisans were given the opportunity to market and sell their creations such as Kairah's Creations' custom made headbands, Hello Chick's Pom Pets featuring adoptable pom poms and artistic stylings from



Art by Cooper. Special guest local author Sophia Gholz provided a reading of her book, Bear at the Fair. 450 people attended is popular community event.



Other Library happenings:

Elections: The West Osceola Library hosted early voting and Election Day voting, while the Poinciana, St. Cloud and BVL Libraries were also sites for early voting.

New Crochet Class: The BVL Library introduced two new crochet classes. Off the Hook is a school-age program designed to introduce crochet basics to kids ages 6 to 11 while Twisted Stitches is an adult-oriented program for drop in and sharing crochet skills in a supportive atmosphere.

Poinciana Crafters' Fair: Crafters from the Poinciana community gathered at the Library to showcase and sell their talents and creations. 144 people attended.

