

MAY 2024 ACTIVITIES REPORT

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LIBRARY

Accredited 2023-2024



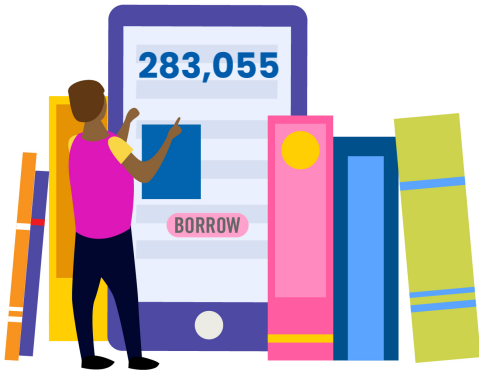
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STATISTICS

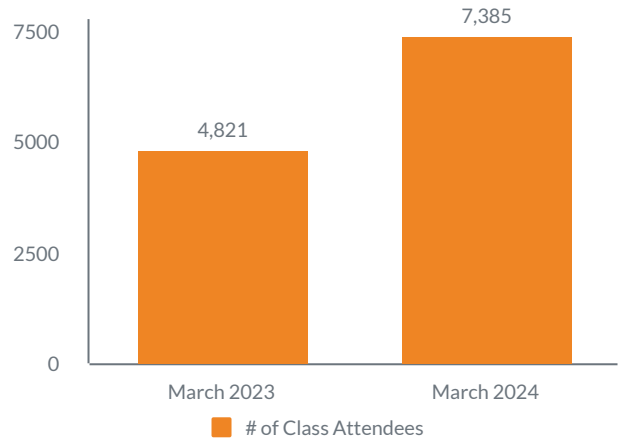
CHECK-OUTS

Total check-outs in March 2024: **283,055**



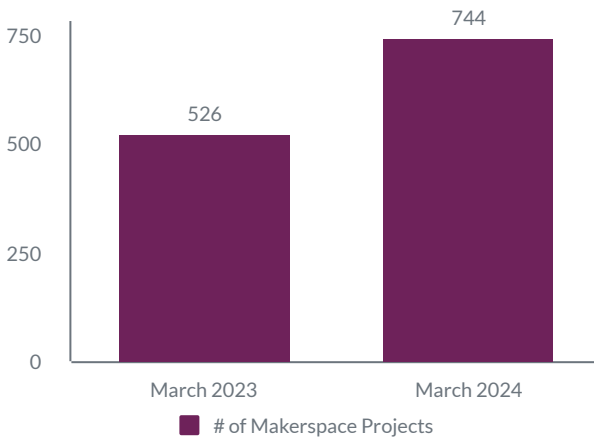
CLASS ATTENDANCE

53% ↑ increase over March 2023



MAKERSPACE PROJECTS

41% ↑ increase over March 2023



RESIDENT VISITS

Total resident visits in March 2024: **94,514**



TOP 5 MOST CHECKED-OUT CAKE PANS

- **Dinosaur**
- **Cozy Village**
- **Fire Truck**
- **Heart**
- **Dump Truck**



LIBRARY FUN FACT

Download the **NEW** Frisco Library app!

- Check your account
- Browse events
- See what's new on our shelves
- Check-out with digital barcodes
- and more!

Available in the App Store and Play Store



Download the NEW Frisco Library app in both App and Play Stores!

Overheard in the Library

A father and daughter were walking through the lobby, studying the "Storied Landscape" art on the ceiling.

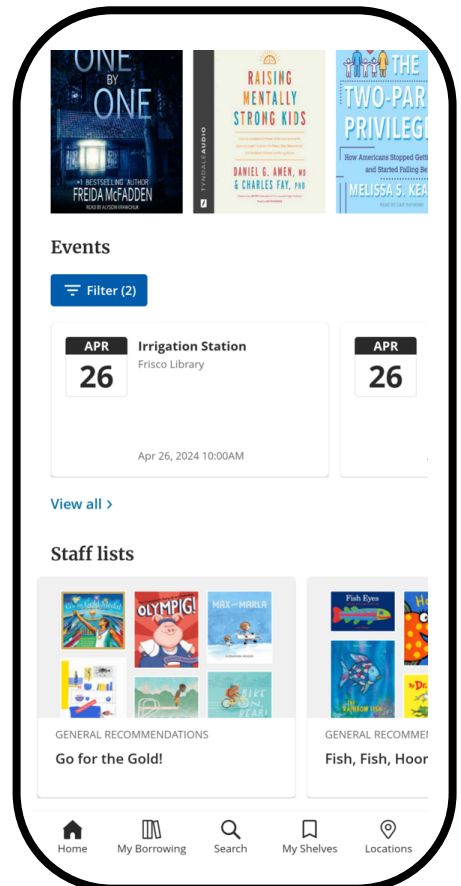
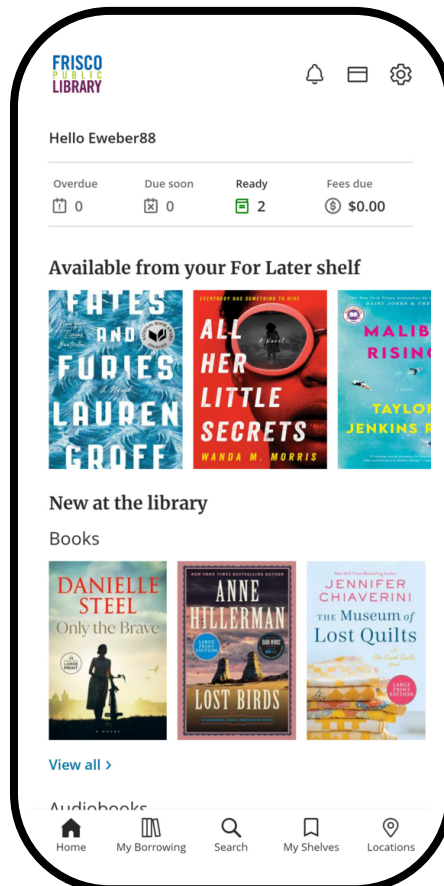
The young girl was sounding out the words and reading them to her father when she proudly exclaimed "Frisco Library taught me to read!"



"My family and I were thrilled to see the amazing **Aaliya Jaleel** at the FPL yesterday! Seeing a prolific and famous author/illustrator welcomed and sharing her new book on a global holiday–Eid–was so special and captured the hearts of so many Frisconians (big and small) yesterday! Thank you and the FPL for offering programs reflective of our diverse city."
–Adeeba Alzaman

New App, More Features

The Frisco Library app features a new look and a lot of content! Upgraded features include staff recommended content, upcoming events, and digital shelves so guests can save titles for later.



Staff Anniversaries



Brent Haddock
Library Technician III
9 years



Marie Jayet
Library Technician II
5 years



Elizabeth Hall
Library Assistant II
2 years



Kimberly Castillo
Library Technician I
2 years

Collection Corner



Summer is coming! Collection use is highest in the summer months, historically peaking with over 50% of the collection checked out. For context, the industry goal is to have 33% of the collection checked out.

In preparation, Material Services staff has been busy stocking up on additional copies of titles most popular with our young readers – Bob Books, Elephant and Piggie, Bluey, Big Nate, Wimpy Kid, Babysitter’s Club, Dog Man, Percy Jackson, Harry Potter, and a range of superheroes – to name just a few.

UPCOMING EVENTS

More information
and calendar of events at
[FriscoLibrary.com](https://www.friscolibrary.com).

CHILDREN AND TEENS

Pokémon Club

May 8 | 4:00pm

Thursday Night Tweens

May 9 & 16 | 7:00pm

Read to Rover

May 15 | 4:00pm

Pop-Up STEM: Meteorology

May 18 & 25 | 3:00pm

Mayor's Summer Reading Challenge Begins!

May 17 | 9:00am

FrisCON

May 30 - June 1 | Times vary



RECURRING EVENTS

Baby Lap-Sit Story Time

Wednesdays | 10am & 11am

Family Story Time

Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays | 10am & 11am
Saturdays | 10:30am

ADULTS

Write Club

May 8 | 6:30pm

Photoshop Basics

May 9 | 7:00pm

Genealogy Power Hour!

May 11 | 10:30am

ESL Book Club

May 12 | 2:00pm

Undead & UnRead Book Club

May 14 | 7:00pm

Classic Readers Book Club

May 15 | 10:00am

Intro to ChatGPT

May 16 | 7:00pm

Mayor's Summer Reading Challenge Begins!

May 17 | 9:00am

Spanish Language Chat

May 18 | 2:00pm

Sisters in Crime North Dallas

May 26 | 2:30pm

Reader's Choice Book Club

May 28 | 7:00pm

Beginning 3D Design

May 28 | 7:00pm

FrisCON

May 30 - June 1 | Times vary

RECURRING EVENTS

ESL Language Lab

Mondays | 6:00pm

ESL Chat

Tuesdays | 10:30am

Ramblin' Rita



Ramblin' Rita invited children up on stage to don costumes and help tell Texas Tall Tales. 87 children and caregivers enjoyed her interactive tales during Spring Break. With the children's help, Ramblin' Rita told *Conejito* by Margaret Reid MacDonald and *Coyote* by Gerald McDermott.



Priya Seven Strings Indian Folk Music Performance at the Frisco Library

On Saturday, March 16, students of a local Indian folk music school, Priya Seven Strings, gave a performance in the Library's Community Event Room. The students showcased their skills by playing the veena, an acoustic Indian instrument with similarities to the sitar. A total of 85 people enjoyed this performance.



Pete the Cat at the Library!

Over two days, 828 guests lined up to meet popular picture book character Pete the Cat for photos and fun! Pete the Cat is known for his catchy songs and positive attitude.



Look for a visit from Curious George in June!



Yee Haw: Wild West Spring Break



During Spring Break, 54 guests stepped into the Wild West at the Frisco Library! Kids experienced the thrill of panning for gold, packed their wagons for the Oregon Trail journey, and discovered some of the challenges faced in that time.



Local Author Speaks about her New Book

In celebration of the beginning of Ramadan, Aaliya Jaleel, a local author and illustrator, read from her recently published board book, *EidTale*. She shared her experiences and talked about Muslim culture with almost 200 Library guests.



Pop-Up STEM: Botany



March Pop-Up STEM programs were all about botany, the scientific study of plants. Students in grades K-5 enjoyed interactive stations including plant physiology, ecology, flower dissecting, herb identification, and more.

Teen Volunteers Demonstrate Entrepreneurial Skills

Teen Volunteers led a pop-up program to inspire entrepreneurial skills in younger generations. The volunteers led short, interactive workshop sessions emphasizing the skills needed for future job markets. This pop-up program was organized and led by Library volunteer, Azukaego Chukwuelue (she is pictured in the green shirt).



Spanish Language Chat

Spanish
LANGUAGE
CHAT

Practice speaking Spanish in an informal setting.

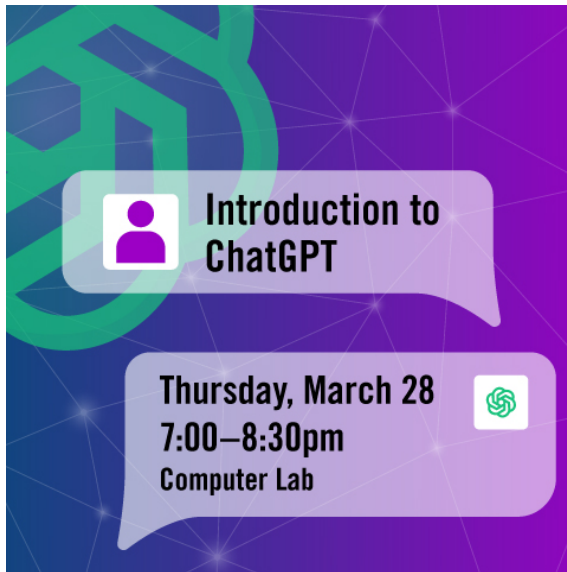
Saturday, May 4 & 18

Meets the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Month
2–3:30PM

Join the Library's Spanish Language Chat club for a relaxed atmosphere to hone your Spanish skills. It's not a formal class, but an opportunity to practice conversational Spanish with fellow learners. Whether you're a beginner or looking to brush up on your skills, our club provides a supportive environment for language practice and cultural exchange.



Introduction to Chat GPT



Frisco Library launched a new program in the Computer Lab, Introduction to ChatGPT. Senior Librarian, Adam Lamprecht, led a group of over 30 students. The class covered the basics of how ChatGPT works and strategies for best results.

Join us at the next Introduction to ChatGPT on Thursday, May 16 at 7pm.

Eclipse Citizen Science

Citizen Science is a collaborative project between the general public and professional scientists. Our partner, SciStarter, presented citizen science opportunities to over 100 guests for the April 8 total solar eclipse. They received tips on making observations, forming hypotheses, and recording data for scientists.

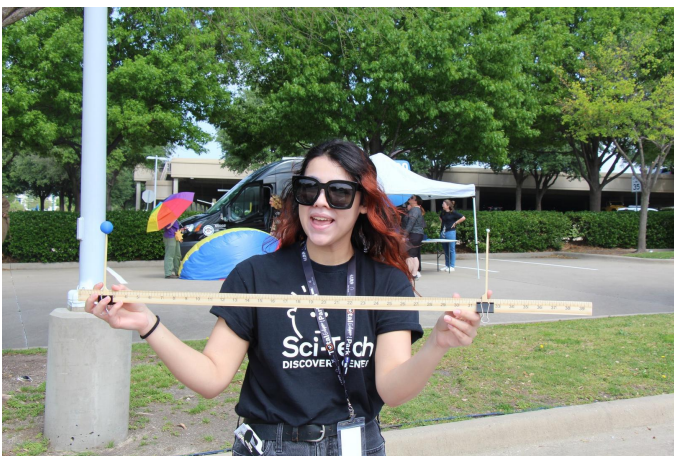


Hall Park & Safely Viewing Eclipses



The total solar eclipse on Monday, April 8 was a once-in-a-lifetime event for most Friscans in the path of totality. Les Murray, a NASA Solar System Ambassador, shared what happens during a total solar eclipse and ways to safely view it at a special program.

Frisco Library joined SciStarter on April 8 for science, eclipse viewing, and fun at Hall Park. Over 700 attended the *Total Eclipse of the Park* viewing party.



OUR MISSION & VISION

MISSION

To enrich lives by inspiring intellect, curiosity, and imagination.

FRISCO LIBRARY QUALITY STANDARDS



SAFETY

- Provide for the welfare of guests and staff.
- Maintain peace of mind.



COURTESY

- Treat each guest as an individual.
- Respect diversity.



ENRICHMENT

- Connect guests to Library services, programs, and resources.
- Create exceptional experiences.



EFFICIENCY

- Provide the smoothest operations possible.
- Grow LEAN practices.

City Council Strategic Focus Areas



Long-Term Financial Health



Excellence in City Government



Public Health and Safety



Leisure, Arts, and Culture



Community Infrastructure



Community Engagement and Involvement



Unique Sustainable City