



**Youth Services Meeting
October 29, 2024
Discussion Notes**

Cataloging and search challenges for Graphic Novels and Series

The current policy of cataloging graphic novels under a single bibliographic record per series presents challenges for library staff and patrons, particularly when searching for juvenile titles. This policy, established by Black Gold libraries years ago, is now being reconsidered at the request of Youth Services.

If feasible, adjustments may involve configuration changes in both Koha and Aspen, the creation of new bibliographic records for individual titles by Black Gold, and the transfer of items to these new records by library staff. Additionally, these changes could impact the EDI acquisitions process. Black Gold will explore the option of enabling item groups in Koha. The implications of this change will be presented to libraries, allowing them to decide whether to revise the current cataloging policy. This review applies exclusively to juvenile titles at this time.

Fall and Winter Programming Plans

Santa Maria

- Youth Maker Market is a craft fair held at the library for young creative makers, age 6-17.
- Reading with my Snowmies -- Dec 16-18

Goleta

- Reading is Cool – Dec 16-Jan 30. Read a book, get an entry for prizes to include a cryotherapy session. Reflective lens sunglasses will be handed out.

Paso Robles

- Outreach librarian will hold a winter reading program
- Stuffed animal sleepover to include a trip outside the library in the bookmobile

Santa Paula

- Winter reading challenge which may run through the end of January
- Gift certificates to the local pizza palace
- Children will use 3D pens to make Christmas ornaments or jewelry.

Lompoc

- Just completed a 24-hour stuffed animal sleepover in October
- Costume Bingo
- Children's gardening program
- Microwave mug cakes
- Tiny canvases will be handed out in November that will be returned in December and showcased in the art gallery
- Solstice craft will be in December
- Bookmobile outreach program will support all library reading programs

Carpinteria

- Winter fest – day of crafts and games
- Winter movie night
- Silent book club

The next scheduled Youth Services Group meeting will be in person at the Santa Maria Library on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 9am