

E. Children's Services

CHILDREN'S GROUP STUDY / HOMEWORK PLACE

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
800	16		0

Functions Performed:

Group study, project work, & social interaction.

Service Goals:

Establish spaces that facilitate collaborative study between children, without disturbing other library patrons (including other kids).
Foster understanding between kids as they pursue small group activities.

Close Proximity To: Children's activity Spaces

Distant From:

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY AREAS

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
2700	48	0	0

Functions Performed:

Staff provides assistance to children from age 0-12 (5th grade), their parents or care givers. The room should accommodate books, periodicals, DVDs CDs, toys, and puppets. Books on parenting should be included in this area. There should be comfortable seating for both adults with children of various ages.

Service Goals:

See below

Create an interior ambiance for children that will "let their imaginations soar" in various directions every time they enter their library.
Provide an area that encourages children to expand their knowledge both educationally and recreationally through books, multi-media, and age appropriate programming.
Establish child-friendly space without creating a childish character. Incorporate tactile educational media (toys with a mission) for pre-reading patrons.
Create a "homey" feel for comfortable reading.
Fill the technology gap that exists for children in families that do not have access to information technology.
Ubiquitous access to electrical power and data network.

Close Proximity To: Entrance and Community Activities Center (for large children's programs), Children's Staff spaces, Remainder of Children's Services

Distant From: Adult Services, Teen's Services

CHILDREN'S FICTION/NON-FICTION COLLECTION

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
1300	0	0	16040

Functions Performed:

Houses junior fiction/non-fiction book collection. Includes the following distinct collections: Beginning Readers, Fiction, Nonfiction, Reference, Paperbacks, Graphic Novels, Family Resource Center, & Holiday. Provides for patron browsing, shelving of materials.

Service Goals:

inc.: ??? DVD/CD

Facilitate access to, and create interest in, the library's educational and recreational materials for children pre-K through age 12.

Close Proximity To: Remainder of Children's Services

Distant From: Adult Services, Teen's Services

CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOK AREA

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
760	12	0	5500

Functions Performed:

Reading area for parents and children, play area for preschoolers, computer areas for preschool learning games, parenting collection area, shelving area for picture books and preschool materials. Preschoolers play with blocks, puppets, puzzles, etc. There should be space for puzzle storage, toys and toy storage.

Service Goals:

Provide educational & recreational books for preschool and primary school children, displayed in an attractive & inviting manner.
Facilitate parental browsing of the parenting collection while watching the children.

Close Proximity To: Remainder of Children's Services

Distant From: Entrance, Adult Services, Teen's Services



COMMUNITY MEETING - PROGRAM REVIEW

CHILDREN'S REFERENCE/COMPUTERS

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
1650	55	15	0

Functions Performed:

Provide study space for homework assignments, etc.
Provide access to child scaled computers.

Service Goals:

Facilitate individual and collective engagement with the library's print and digital resources.
Ubiquitous access to electrical power and data network.

Close Proximity To: Remainder of Children's Services

Distant From: Adult Services, Teen's Services

CHILDREN'S STORY & CRAFTS SPACE

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
800	15 *	0	0

Functions Performed:

Provide space for small scale storytime activities and other special activities for children, including table top crafts as well as story telling.

Service Goals:

Provide an area where children can have fun interacting through stories, crafts and games. Establish a forum that contributes to the learning of social and library skills.

Close Proximity To: Remainder of Children's Services, outdoor paly area

Distant From: Quiet areas of Children's Services area, Adult Services, Teen's Services

FAMILY RESTROOMS

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
150	0	0	0

Functions Performed:

Close Proximity To:

Distant From: Adult Services, Teen's Services

Service Goals:

LACTATION ROOM

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
40	0	0	0

Functions Performed:

Space for patrons or employees who are seeking a private place to pump or to breastfeed. This room is for the EXCLUSIVE use of nursing mothers . It may only be used for purposes related to breastfeeding.

Service Goals:

Encourage nursing mothers to spend time in the library.

Close Proximity To:

Distant From: Adult Services, Teen's Services

CHILDREN'S SERVICES SUPERVISOR OFFICE

Size	Seating	PCs	Collection Size
135	0	0	0

Functions Performed:

Private office area for Children's Services Supervisor.

Service Goals:

Provide Children's library staff space to plan children's activities, maintain statistical records and store professional materials. Establish area for private conversation re overdues, reserves, problems with a child, etc.

Close Proximity To: Children's Services

Distant From: Information/Reference services, Quiet Reading Areas