

## Student and Teacher Resources



### World Book Online

This online encyclopedia includes fantastic resources for grades 5+ in World Book Student and grades 9+ in World Book Advanced. Get info on important people, business, geography, history, and much more. Go to [wellscolibrary.org](http://wellscolibrary.org) and click on "Research" to access.

### Gale in Context: High School

Offers cross-curricular content aligned to national and state curriculum standards and reinforces the development of skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication, collaboration, creativity, and innovation.



### Gale in Context: Opposing Viewpoints

Immigration. Climate change. Oil drilling. Jobs. Headline-grabbing issues and enduring controversies are all highlighted in this database. Good for science, social studies, current events, and language arts classes.



### Library Apps

Available in the iTunes store and Google Play store to access your library on the go! You'll need your library card number and PIN to access.



**Libby by OverDrive** - browse, borrow, and download popular eBooks and eAudiobooks directly to your device.

**More Apps:** get details at [wellscolibrary.org/services/technology](http://wellscolibrary.org/services/technology)

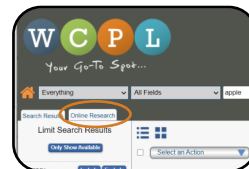
### INSPIRE

A collection of academic databases and other information resources that can be accessed by Indiana residents. You can search all the INSPIRE databases at once or pick and choose which ones to search in, such as "Explora," "Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia," "Rosetta Stone," and more. Go to [wellscolibrary.org](http://wellscolibrary.org) and click on "Research" to access.



### Find articles in our online catalog

Search most of our library databases from inside our online catalog (kind of like Google, but with reliable results). Just go to [wellscolibrary.org](http://wellscolibrary.org) and search for any word in our online catalog. When the results are displayed click the "Online Research" tab in the upper left corner to find online articles related to that topic.



### Free WiFi, Mobile Hotspots, & Computers

Free WiFi is available at both the Main Library in Bluffton and the Ossian Branch. You can also check out mobile hotspots with a library card for up to 7 days at a time (must be done on an adult card by those 18 & up). Computers and iPads are available for internet use, research, word processing, and educational games. Laptop rental is also available in the buildings.

### Teacher Resources

The library offers a number of resources that will help in a classroom setting, in addition to our large selection of books, CDs, DVDs/Blu-rays, audio books, audio kits, magazines, Launchpads, and Playaways.

- **Field Trips** to the library or schedule a virtual classroom visit.
- **Classroom Collections** - call ahead to have an age-appropriate selection of books pulled.
- **Book Club Collections** - get multiple copies to use in the classroom. Ask at the Teen Zone desk for more info or email [teen@wellscolibrary.org](mailto:teen@wellscolibrary.org).
- **Teacher Cards**—check out books for longer (up to 6 weeks).
- Out-of-county **Student Cards**—available to students that attend a Wells County School, but live in another county. Digital Student Cards are also available that give access to the library's digital collection and most online databases.
- **Interlibrary Loan** - get larger book club collections from other libraries.
- **Study tables** and leisure seating.
- **Study Rooms** at the Main Library or Ossian Branch
- **Reference Materials**

Call for more information or to talk with a librarian: 260-824-1612 (Bluffton) or 260-622-4691 (Ossian)

Or email a Teen Zone librarian at [teen@wellscolibrary.org](mailto:teen@wellscolibrary.org)



Wells County Public Library

# Teen News

August-December 2021

#### Bluffton—Main Library 200 West Washington Street

Bluffton, Indiana 46714  
260-824-1612

Monday-Thursday: 9 am to 8 pm

Friday: 9 am to 6 pm

Saturday: 9 am to 2 pm

#### Ossian Branch Library 207 North Jefferson Street

Ossian, Indiana 46777  
260-622-4691

Monday-Thursday: 9 am to 8 pm

Friday: 9 am to 5 pm

Saturday: 9 am to Noon

[www.wellscolibrary.org](http://www.wellscolibrary.org)

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# Events for Teens

# Events & To-Go Kits

## Special Events

All events are free. Register at the library, online at [wellscolibrary.org](http://wellscolibrary.org), or call 260-824-1612.



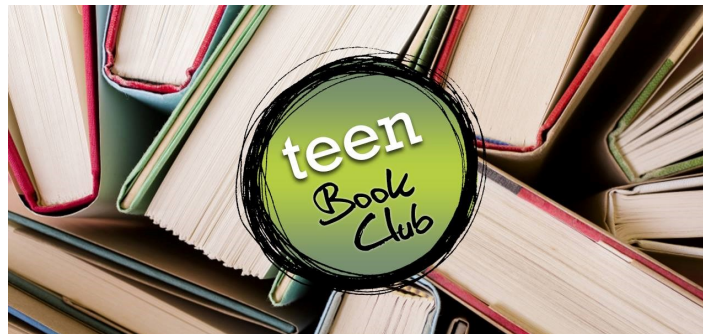
### Manga Club/ Teen Gaming

Bluffton: Aug. 2, Sep. 13,  
Oct. 4, Nov. 1, and Dec. 6  
Meets the first Monday of the  
month from 6:00-7:00 pm  
Grades 6-12. Discuss the latest  
Manga books, draw, trade

cards and just have fun. Also enjoy Wii Games and the Nintendo Switch.

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Bluffton: Aug. 25, Sep. 29, Oct. 27, and Dec. 29  
Meets the last Wednesday of the month from 6:00-6:45 pm  
Grades 6-12. Do you wish you had a say in Teen  
Programming at the Library? Do you need volunteer credit?  
Join the Teen Advisory Board. You don't need to sign up,  
just show up for the meetings. We hope to see you there!



### Teen Book Club

Bluffton: Oct. 14, Nov. 11, and Dec. 9  
Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm  
Grades 7-12. Join us for a fun evening discussing the book-  
of-the-month, enjoying a snack, and participating in related  
activities. Pick up the books when you sign up.

- Oct. 14: "Mysterious Benedict Society" by Trenton Lee Stewart
- Nov. 11: "Scorpio Races" by Maggie Stiefvater
- Dec. 9: "Tuck Everlasting" by Natalie Babbitt

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### Free Comic Book Day

Bluffton: Saturday, August 14:  
9 am-2 pm

All ages. Stop by the Main Library  
in Bluffton to get a free comic  
book as part of Free Comic Book  
Day. Available until we run out.  
First come, first served.



### Pizza Tasting

Bluffton: Thursday, September 16: 6:30-7:30 pm  
Grades 6-12. Which local pizza place has the best slice?  
Prepare your taste buds and get ready to judge the winner!  
Registration required.

### TeenTober Book Washing

Bluffton: October 11-15  
Grades 6-12. We encourage  
you to stop by the library  
throughout the month of  
October to discover media in all  
forms, technology, games, and  
more as part of TeenTober.  
During Oct. 11-15, you can also  
sign up to wash books at the  
library and get fines removed  
from your card. For every hour  
that you wash books, you can take \$12 off your fine. Don't  
have any fines? Then you'll receive a free book of your  
choice valued at \$12 or less for every hour and a half that  
you volunteer, for up to 3 hours total. That's up to \$36 off  
your fine or two free books. Registration required.



### Trivia Night

Bluffton: Tuesday, October 19: 6:30-7:30 pm  
Ages 15-19. Have a lot of random knowledge taking up  
brain space? Put all that to use in our team trivia contest,  
with facts ranging a variety of topics. Join us for this special  
event just for ages 15-19. Teams will be decided the night  
of the event. Registration required.

### Creepy Crawly Animals (with Indiana Wild)

Bluffton: Tuesday, October 26: 6:30-7:30 pm  
\* Date and time is subject to change. Please check with  
the library closer to the date of the event.  
Grades 6-12. Come and see some animals up close and  
personal in this special "creepy  
crawly" animal show from the  
presenters at Indiana Wild.  
No registration needed.



### Gotta Catch 'Em All!

Bluffton: Tuesday, November 16: 6:30-7:30 pm  
Grades 6-12. Join us in the Teen Zone for a celebration of  
Pokemon's 25th anniversary! Read the manga, watch the  
anime, and trade cards or bring your own device and



games. We'll even have a  
competition to see who's  
the best trainer.  
Registration appreciated.

### Parlor City Christmas

Bluffton: Saturday, December 11  
All ages. You don't want to miss this event  
in downtown Bluffton, which will include a  
Goodie Walk, carriage rides, trolley rides,  
ice sculptures, musical entertainment, and  
more. Fun for the whole family. Events will  
be at the library and throughout downtown Bluffton.



### Elf Interactive Movie Experience

Bluffton: Thursday, December 16: 6-8 pm  
Grades 6-12. Get in the Christmas spirit with some hot  
cocoa and Buddy the Elf! Join us in the Teen Zone for an  
interactive  
movie  
experience.  
Elf is rated  
PG.  
Registration  
appreciated.



## To-Go Kits

These popular kits for teens will contain supplies for a  
fun craft or activity. All To-Go Kits will be available while  
supplies last during the month listed, so get in early to  
make sure you get to take one home! Pick up at the  
Teen Zone Desk or the Ossian Branch.

- August: Back to School
- September: Indigo Tie-Dye (in conjunction with the  
One Book One County program)
- October: Spider Scavenger Hunt
- November: NaNoWriMo (writing kit)
- December: Paper Bag Snowflakes

Find all our kit info using #WCPLToGo.

## Follow us...

On Instagram ([wellscountypubliclibrary](https://www.instagram.com/wellscountypubliclibrary)) for fun  
"Teen Tuesday" posts. Also be sure to like and  
subscribe to the WCPL Teens YouTube  
channel ([WCPLTeens](https://www.youtube.com/WCPLTeens)). We post book reviews  
and other fun videos.



## BookChat (online)

Join us on Instagram ([wellscountypubliclibrary](https://www.instagram.com/wellscountypubliclibrary)) on the  
last Thursday of the month at 4 pm for a Live Virtual  
BookChat with Lana and Rachel that's appropriate for  
both teens and adults. We will also highlight various  
aspects of the book throughout the month leading up to  
the BookChat on Instagram.

- Aug. 26 "To All the Boys I've Loved Before"  
by Jenny Han
- Sep. 30 "Mike" by Andrew Norriss
- Oct. 28 "The Hazel Wood" by Melissa Albert
- Nov. 18 "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman
- Dec. 30 "Skipping Christmas" by John Grisham

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