

Director's Report
Rusk County Community Library
March 18, 2025

General: 6 for Walking Group, 71 for Baby & Toddler Storytime, 19 for Preschool Storytime, 13 for Lego Club, 5 for Blue Hills Trail Presentation, 9 for Teen Tuesday, 3 for Cookbook Club, 3 for Making Moo-lah, 37 for Historical Speaker Series, 287 for Alternative Education and 20 participants in Beanstack, reading a total of 36,399 minutes.

Budget: nothing to report. New door counter arrived and old one was salvageable enough for a \$40 credit.

Staff & Volunteers: Following the lead of the majority of IFLS libraries, we will have a staff meeting/work day on March 25 as the servers will be down so any of our online functions (Sierra, Libby, MORE catalog) will be nonfunctional that day. Yet another round of flu has graced us, making staffing very lean once again. We will be getting a paid volunteer through SER-SCEP and another high school volunteer starting 3/19 through May.

Planning: Have been asked about potentially sponsoring an open gym night and trying to work out logistics with volunteers. Embrace is going to be presenting the Storytime Trail story in April for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Other: Statistics Upper Level: 3,424 Lower Level: 4,653

2024

Checkouts	4,947 (9)
Checkins	5,008 (9)
Renewals	2,164 (9)
Total Circulation	7,111
Items Borrowed	1,437 (11)
Items Lent	1,659 (9)
Net Difference	222
% Locally-owned Checkouts	70.95%
New Patrons	37 (13)
New Items	343 (6)
Pharos Sessions	268 (7)
Wireless Sessions	881 (6)
Overdrive Checkout	1,350 (12)
Freanding Checkout	0
Website Pageviews	1,456 (15)

2025

Checkouts	4,338 (9)
Checkins	3,843 (10)
Renewals	1,558 (10)
Total Circulation	5,896
Items Borrowed	1,355 (11)
Items Lent	1,633 (9)
Net Difference	278
% Locally-owned Checkouts	68.76%
New Patrons	32 (10)
New Items	262 (8)
Pharos Sessions	214 (8)
Wireless Sessions	715 (6)
Overdrive Checkout	1,268 (15)
Freanding Checkout	0
Website Pageviews	1,231 (15)