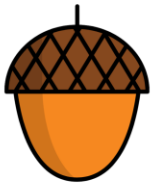
Parenting RESOURCE Program

November 2019

Sensory and Special Needs Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Distribution of information by a community group in accordance with District 97 policy does not imply, directly or indirectly, that the group's program(s), event(s) and/or service(s) is sanctioned, sponsored or endorsed by the district, the Board of Education or the superintendent.					1 	2 11:30 AM Sibshops at Thrive Counseling Center
3 3 PM Sensory Performance of LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE	4 6:15 PM Sensory Jump at Pump It Up of Orland Park	5 4 PM Special Needs Family Night at Rockin' Jump Buffalo Grove	6 3:30 PM Low Sensory Aquatic Presentation at Shedd Aquarium	7	8	9 9 AM Sensory Friendly Mini Touch A Truck in Plainfield
10	11 Music Free Mondays at Airtastic Play Land	12 3 PM Special Needs Tues at Sky High Sports in Niles	13 9:15 AM Drop-in Playgroup at Oak Leyden	14	15 4 PM Supported Cooking and Stories at Oak Park Library	16 9 AM Sensory Saturdays at Crown Family Playlab
17 9:30 AM Everyone At Play at Kohl's Children's Museum	18 6:30 PM Sensory Hours at Sky Zone Elmhurst	19 4 PM Supported Storytime at Oak Park Library	20 9:15 AM Drop-in Playgroup at Oak Leyden	21 Third Thursdays at DuPage Children's Museum	22	23 10 AM Sensory Friendly *Frozen 2* Premiere in Bolingbrook
24	25 Music Free Mondays at Airtastic Play Land	26 3 PM Special Needs Tues at Sky High Sports in Niles	27 9:15 AM Drop-in Playgroup at Oak Leyden	28	29	30 9 AM Mornings of Fun at Discovery Center in Rockford

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Events listed are appropriate for caregivers and children with special needs. Please check the website of each activity for complete program descriptions, registration, current time/location information, and additional offerings throughout the month.

Collaboration for Early Childhood
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

November Events

Nov 3rd: LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE (Sensory Friendly Performance) 3 PM at Lifeline Theater (6912 N. Glenwood Ave., Chicago). Based on the children's book by Bernard Waber, discover the meaning of family in this musical recommended for children ages 5 and up.

Nov 6th: Low Sensory Aquatic Presentation 3:30 PM at Shedd Aquarium (1200 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago). Shedd Aquarium has created a sensory-friendly aquatic presentation. The 3:30 p.m. presentation will have reduced volume, dimmed lighting and all flashing lights will be removed.

Nov 9th: Sensory Friendly Mini Touch A Truck 9 AM at Plainfield Fire Protection (23748 W. 135th St., Plainfield). Join the Special Needs Mom Squad and the Plainfield Fire Department for a private event to learn basic holiday fire safety tips and kids get to explore a fire engine and ambulance. Limited spots available for two time slots 1-10 a.m. and 11 a.m.-noon. Free, but must register in advance.

Nov 15th: Supported Cooking and Stories 4 PM at Oak Park Public Library (834 Lake St., Oak Park). Bon appetit! Join us for cooking stories and making recipes. This class is designed for children with disabilities ages 3 and up with caregiver support. Classes are structured with Boardmaker schedules and include fun picture books and songs, along with fine and gross motor movement activities. Special supports like lap weights and fidget toys are available to help children be successful. Siblings welcome. We will make apple "cookies," with kids adding their pick of toppings to apple slices spread with sunflower butter.

Nov 23rd: Sensory Friendly *Frozen 2* Premiere 10 AM at IPIC Bolingbrook (619 E. Boughton Rd., Bolingbrook). Join the Special Needs Mom Squad for a special showing of Frozen 2 for families with children and young adults with special needs. Doors open at 10 a.m. for meet and greet, movie begins at 11 a.m. In this special event, previews are eliminated, audio is reduced and lights are brought down to twilight. $15. Admission includes private Meet and Greet with Elsa, Anna and Kristoff with professional photography included. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Recurring Monthly Events

* **AMC Theaters Sensory Friendly Films** (various locations): Second and fourth Saturday of the month.
* **Drop-in Playgroup at Oak Leyden Developmental Services** (320 Chicago Ave., Oak Park). Every Wednesday from 9:15AM-10:15AM. $5 per family per session or 10 sessions for $45.
* **Everyone At Play at Kohl's Children's Museum** (2100 Patriot Blvd., Glenview): Select Sundays, 9:30AM.
* **Music Free Mondays at Airtastic Play Land** (850 S. Frontenac St., Aurora). Every Monday, all day.
* **Play for All at Chicago Children's Museum** (700 E. Grand Ave., Chicago): Second Saturday of the month at 9AM. Pre-registration required.
* **Play Well Days at Legoland** (601 N. Martingale Rd., Schaumburg): First Saturday of the month at 8:30AM. Reserve tickets in advance.
* **Reel Movies for Real Needs at Marcus Theaters** (various locations). Select Saturdays, 10:30AM.
* **Sensory Friendly Mornings at Hamill Play Zoo** (Brookfield Zoo, 8400 W. 31st St., Brookfield). Fourth Saturday of every month (except April and September) at 9AM. Pre-registration required.
* **Sensory Friendly Sundays at Chuck E. Cheese** (various locations): First Sunday of the month at 9AM.
* **Sensory Friendly Sundays at Morton Arboretum** (4100 IL-53, Lisle): First Sunday of the month at 8:45AM.
* **Sensory Hours at Sky Zone Elmhurst** (325 W. Lake St. Suite A, Elmhurst): First and third Monday of the month at 6:30PM.
* **Sensory Jump at Pump It Up of Orland Park** (11411 W. 183rd St., Orland Park): First Monday of the month from 6:15 8:15PM. Registration recommended.
* **Sensory Saturdays at Crown Family PlayLab** (Field Museum, 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago): Select Saturdays at 9AM. Space limited, registration required.
* **Special Needs Family Night at Rockin' Jump** (various locations). First Tuesday of every month from 4-8PM. $15/jumper.
* **Special Needs Screenings at Studio Movie Grill** (various locations): Select Saturdays at 11AM.
* **Supported Storytime at Oak Park Public Library** (834 Lake St., Oak Park): Every Tuesday at 4PM for ages 3 and up, with caregiver support. Siblings welcome.
* **Sky High Sports – Niles Special Needs Tuesdays** (6424 Howard St., Niles): Every Tuesday from 3-6PM with caregiver. $5 jumping fee.
* **Third Thursdays at DuPage Children's Museum** (301 N. Washington St., Naperville): Third Thursday of the month at 4:30PM.