



FEBRUARY VACATION WEEK BROWN BAG LUNCHES

Dear Marshfield Families,

Brown Bag Lunches at Ventress Memorial Library is a new program that supports the students of the Marshfield School District in grades K-12 during a gap in school lunches by providing nutritional, pre-packaged lunches for students during February Vacation Week. The library acknowledges that school breaks interrupt food services for many students in the community and wants to make sure that those children don't go without. In collaboration with the Marshfield School District, the Food Pantry, Roche Brothers, and Star Market, the Ventress Library will provide free brown bag lunches from Tuesday-Thursday during February Vacation Week.

Here's how the program works: a parent/guardian will fill out the accompanied application with their contact information and the child's first name and last initial. They would then choose which days between February 19th-21st that their child would receive a brown bag lunch, and which lunch option they'd choose for each day. Once this application is signed you can return it directly or mail it to the library and we'll use this information to prepare your child's brown bag lunches.

On each day that a child is signed up for the program, they'll be able to pick up their lunch between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm by sharing their first name and last initial. Children under 10 years must be accompanied by an adult. The Library Plaza Program Room will be provided for students during this time if they would like to eat their lunch at the library. The GATRA bus makes regular stops to and from the library every day, so if a guardian/parent is unable to drop a student off please check the bus schedule.

We have several programs for children and teens during February Vacation Week that coincide with the Brown Bag Lunch Program. On Wednesday, February 20th, we have a comic creation show at 11:00 am for all ages and an improv workshop for 9-18 year olds at 1:00 pm that requires registration. On Thursday, we'll be screening Lego Batman at 2:30 pm for all ages. All of these programs are free and open to the public.

We're excited to offer this opportunity for the first time and hope to continue it in the future! If you'd like to learn more about the program and events before signing up, please contact our young adult librarian at cgluck@ocln.org or visit us online at ventresslibrary.org. Thank you for your interest and support!

Sincerely,
Charlie Gluck, Young Adult Librarian