



Toys are for fun, right? Not totally.

Young children learn through play. When they experience new sights and sounds, feel new textures, create a craft or hear new words or music, they are learning.

They don't know they're learning – they just think it's all fun! As children experience a variety of quality age-appropriate toys, they are building a foundation for success in school.

Resource Lending Library offers 3,000 items – free!

The Richmond County Partnership for Children's Resource Lending Library is a valuable source of educational materials for educators and parents of young children in Richmond County.

All of the 3,000 books, play items, art utensils and educational materials are designed for children from birth to age 5 or their teachers, parents or grandparents. The Resource Lending Library offers the materials and supplies needed to provide high-quality environments for children.

Because children learn best through meaningful play experiences with quality materials, the library offers only products designed to provide the best developmental opportunities for young children.

The library is funded by the Richmond County Partnership for Children and is available to Richmond County residents at no cost.

Last year, the center had more than 500 visits.

Items available for checkout include:

- Art utensils and music supplies, such as easels, aprons, sponges, stencils, CDs and instruments
- Books representing various cultures and geared for all ages from infant through early school
- Building toys such as Towerifics, pre-school Legos and unit brick blocks
- Dramatic play items, including costumes, puppets, dolls, doll furniture and play food



- Science kits, math games, blocks and puzzles
- Puzzles on multiple levels, some with knobs for small hands
- Parent partner packs filled with materials and ideas to teach age-appropriate concepts or skills one-on-one. These packs address topics such as alphabet, size, opposites and weather.
- Educational resources to aid adults on child-related issues such as proper nutrition, behavior problems and craft projects.
- Die cuts for scrapbooks, bulletin boards and children's books
- Construction and bulletin board paper, lamination and copies are available for a small fee.



Who can check out library materials?

Any resident or teacher in Richmond County who has or works with children ages birth to 5 can check out materials – free! This includes parents, grandparents, teachers, caregivers and early childhood education students.

Just drop by the library at 315 S. Lawrence Street in Rockingham and complete a borrower agreement.

You can check out up to five items each visit and keep them for up to 30 days. The library is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Friday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Partnership for Children

The Partnership is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing programs to enhance the health, education and quality of life for children birth to age 5 and their families.

For more information,
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