



TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP LIBRARIES

TREDYFFRIN PUBLIC LIBRARY & PAOLI LIBRARY

Director’s Report to the Library Board of Trustees September 22, 2022

Operations

Tredyffrin Public Library is open to the public:

- Monday – Thursday 10 am – 7 pm (Opening at 9:30 am beginning October 17, 2022)
- Friday – Saturday 10 am – 5 pm (Opening at 9:30 am beginning October 17, 2022)
- Sunday (1 pm – 5pm Starting October 16, 2022)

Paoli Library is currently open to the public:

- Monday - Wednesday: 9:30 am – 5 pm
- Thursday: 9:30 am – 7 pm
- Friday: 9:30 am – 5 pm
- Saturday: 9:30 am – 5 pm

Paoli Library has implemented additional hours of operation for weekdays, opening at 9:30 am instead of 10 am. We are currently planning to implement additional operating hours at Tredyffrin Public Library and resume Sunday operating hours at Tredyffrin Public Library starting October 16th. We also anticipate being able to resume our 9:30 opening schedule at Tredyffrin starting Monday the 17th.

The libraries will be closed on Monday, October 10, 2022, in observance of Columbus Day (Tredyffrin Township holiday). This day is also designated as “Staff Development Day” at the Chester County Library. All staff are invited to attend.

Building Access

For the month of August, 12,606 library visits were recorded. Compared to July, visitor count decreased by 11. Compared to 2021 visitor count from January through August increased by 37,152. Building access continues to increase, however, total building access remains more than 50% lower than pre-pandemic levels.

| | 2022 YTD | 2021 YTD | Difference | % Increase or Decrease |
|------------|----------|----------|------------|------------------------|
| Paoli | 18,401 | 10,160 | 8,241 | 81.1% |
| Tredyffrin | 59,170 | 30,259 | 28,911 | 95.5% |
| Total | 77,571 | 40,419 | 37,152 | 91.9% |

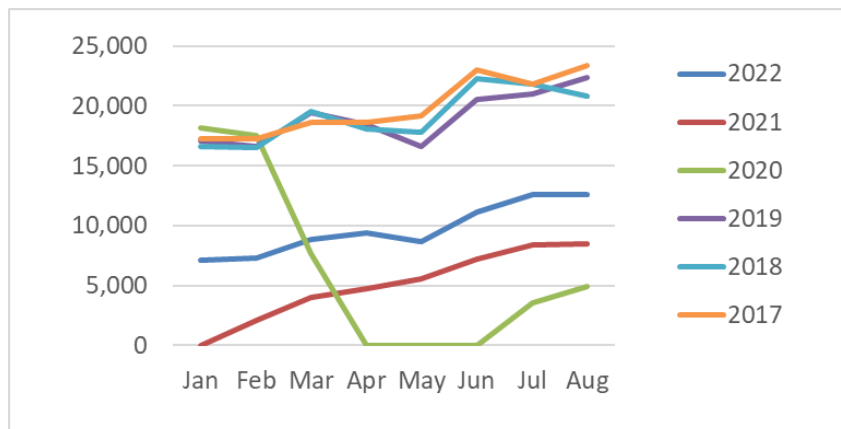


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| | | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | TOTAL |
|--------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sun | Paoli | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 12 | 2 | 32 |
| | Tredyffrin | 40 | 7 | 94 | 33 | 2 | 227 | 25 | 43 | 471 |
| Mon | Paoli | 337 | 335 | 340 | 343 | 420 | 349 | 366 | 565 | 3,055 |
| | Tredyffrin | 981 | 908 | 1,052 | 1,163 | 822 | 1,023 | 1,264 | 2,062 | 9,275 |
| Tues | Paoli | 330 | 333 | 422 | 393 | 409 | 416 | 381 | 526 | 3,210 |
| | Tredyffrin | 909 | 999 | 1,238 | 1,080 | 1,684 | 1,562 | 1,799 | 1,949 | 11,220 |
| Wedns | Paoli | 330 | 338 | 380 | 355 | 340 | 551 | 421 | 558 | 3,273 |
| | Tredyffrin | 712 | 814 | 1,119 | 1,004 | 1,097 | 1,607 | 1,464 | 1,885 | 9,702 |
| Thurs | Paoli | 357 | 343 | 481 | 387 | 392 | 636 | 499 | 500 | 3,595 |
| | Tredyffrin | 843 | 858 | 1,161 | 1,058 | 986 | 1,700 | 1,796 | 1,370 | 9,772 |
| Fri | Paoli | 277 | 312 | 370 | 460 | 320 | 305 | 624 | 423 | 3,091 |
| | Tredyffrin | 610 | 698 | 869 | 1,037 | 888 | 1,225 | 1,789 | 1,275 | 8,391 |
| Sat | Paoli | 180 | 247 | 192 | 305 | 242 | 343 | 338 | 298 | 2,145 |
| | Tredyffrin | 1,229 | 1,092 | 1,088 | 1,750 | 1,066 | 1,147 | 1,817 | 1,150 | 10,339 |
| Total Paoli | | 1,816 | 1,908 | 2,187 | 2,243 | 2,123 | 2,611 | 2,641 | 2,872 | 18,401 |
| Total Tredyffrin | | 5,324 | 5,376 | 6,621 | 7,125 | 6,545 | 8,491 | 9,954 | 9,734 | 59,170 |
| Libraries Combined | | 7,140 | 7,284 | 8,808 | 9,368 | 8,668 | 11,102 | 12,595 | 12,606 | 77,571 |

| | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Jan | 7,147 | 0 | 18,167 | 17,089 | 16,572 | 17,227 |
| Feb | 7,284 | 2,088 | 17,543 | 16,585 | 16,522 | 17,253 |
| Mar | 8,808 | 4,043 | 7,680 | 19,445 | 19,547 | 18,645 |
| Apr | 9,368 | 4,763 | 0 | 18,431 | 18,035 | 18,652 |
| May | 8,668 | 5,578 | 0 | 16,650 | 17,801 | 19,166 |
| Jun | 11,102 | 7,160 | 0 | 20,531 | 22,314 | 22,970 |
| Jul | 12,595 | 8,345 | 3,542 | 20,984 | 21,773 | 21,855 |
| Aug | 12,606 | 8,442 | 4,889 | 22,329 | 20,813 | 23,358 |
| TOTAL | 77,578 | 70,353 | 71,447 | 247,564 | 242,893 | 253,969 |





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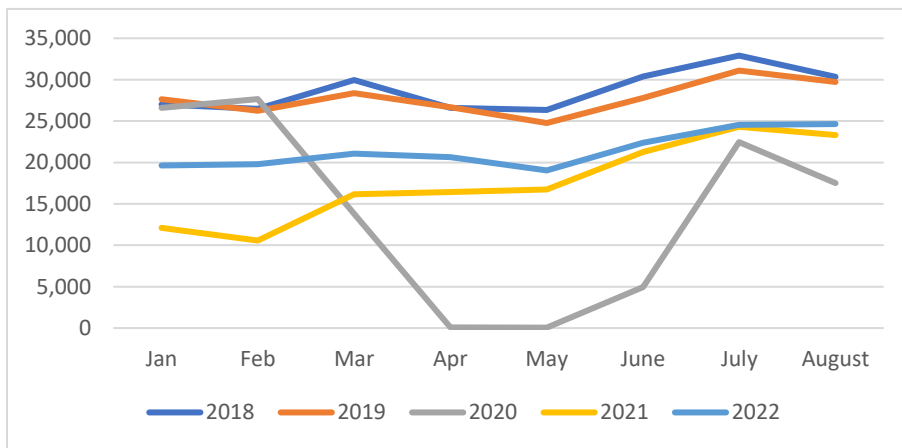
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Circulation

August 2022 circulation totaled 33,568. Overall circulation has improved compared to 2021. E-materials circulation remains high and accounts for approximately 28% of total circulation for 2022.

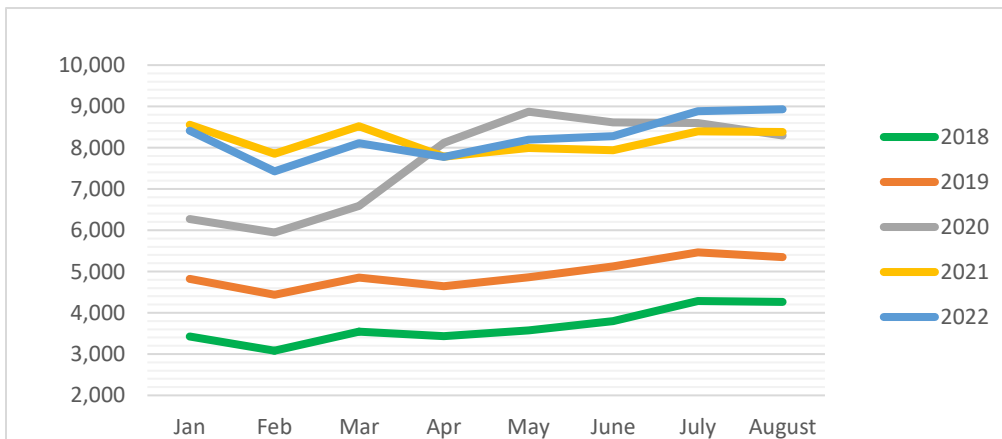
Print Circulation

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | August | TOTAL |
|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| 2018 | 27,024 | 26,460 | 29,948 | 26,593 | 26,341 | 30,381 | 32,910 | 30,333 | 229,990 |
| 2019 | 27,621 | 26,233 | 28,369 | 26,674 | 24,765 | 27,772 | 31,099 | 29,708 | 222,241 |
| 2020 | 26,609 | 27,657 | 13,783 | 87 | 52 | 4,946 | 22,464 | 17,494 | 113,092 |
| 2021 | 12,104 | 10,567 | 16,157 | 16,448 | 16,723 | 21,244 | 24,308 | 23,325 | 140,876 |
| 2022 | 19,633 | 19,789 | 21,069 | 20,636 | 19,036 | 22,377 | 24,545 | 24,638 | 171,723 |



E-Materials Circulation

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | August | TOTAL |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------------|
| 2018 | 3,426 | 3,082 | 3,544 | 3,434 | 3,573 | 3,799 | 4,286 | 4,264 | 29,408 |
| 2019 | 4,823 | 4,437 | 4,851 | 4,644 | 4,864 | 5,127 | 5,464 | 5,349 | 39,559 |
| 2020 | 6,275 | 5,945 | 6,591 | 8,115 | 8,871 | 8,611 | 8,599 | 8,297 | 61,304 |
| 2021 | 8,555 | 7,854 | 8,523 | 7,782 | 7,995 | 7,934 | 8,399 | 8,379 | 65,421 |
| 2022 | 8,407 | 7,426 | 8,112 | 7,775 | 8,190 | 8,276 | 8,883 | 8,930 | 65,999 |





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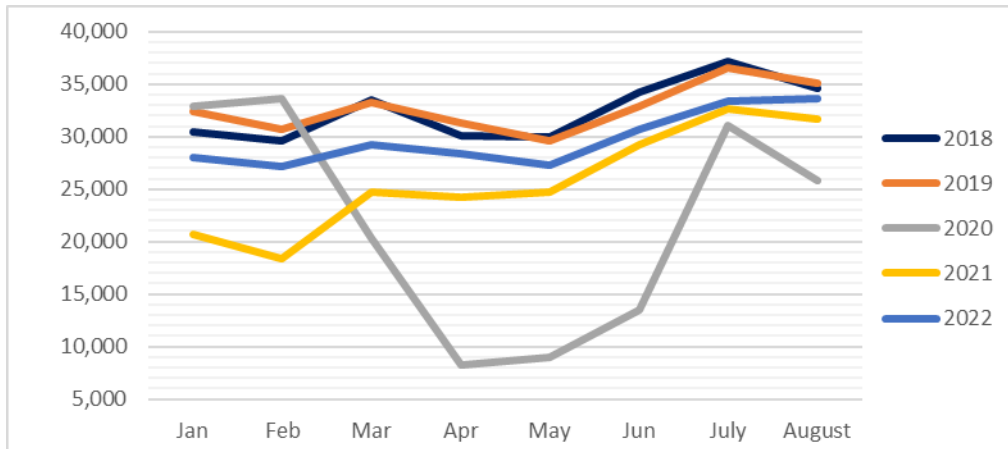
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E-Materials Percent of Total Circulation

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| 2018 | 11.3% |
| 2019 | 15.1% |
| 2020 | 35.2% |
| 2021 | 31.7% |
| 2022 | 27.8% |

All Circulation

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | July | August | TOTAL |
|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| 2018 | 30,450 | 29,542 | 33,492 | 30,027 | 29,914 | 34,180 | 37,196 | 34,597 | 259,398 |
| 2019 | 32,444 | 30,670 | 33,220 | 31,318 | 29,629 | 32,899 | 36,563 | 35,057 | 261,800 |
| 2020 | 32,884 | 33,602 | 20,374 | 8,202 | 8,923 | 13,557 | 31,063 | 25,791 | 174,396 |
| 2021 | 20,659 | 18,421 | 24,680 | 24,230 | 24,718 | 29,178 | 32,707 | 31,704 | 206,297 |
| 2022 | 28,040 | 27,215 | 29,181 | 28,411 | 27,226 | 30,653 | 33,428 | 33,568 | 237,722 |



Programming Notes

In August, the libraries offered 74 programs and recorded 1,192 attendees. Programming totals for 2022 remain lower due to staffing changes and generally lower overall library visits.



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Programs Offered

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | TOTAL |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Adults 18+ | 6 | 35 | 39 | 35 | 24 | 33 | 11 | 29 | 212 |
| Adults 18+ (Outreach) | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Adults (18+ STEM) | 0 | 14 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 0 | 84 |
| Children (Ages 0-5) | 8 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 18 | 109 |
| Children (Ages 0-5 Outreach) | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Children (Ages 0-5 STEM) | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| Children (Ages 5-11) | 6 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 16 | 5 | 60 |
| Children (Ages 5-11 Outreach) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Children (Ages 5-11 STEM) | 3 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 5 | 35 |
| Young Adult (Ages 12-17) | 14 | 14 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 13 | 21 | 17 | 124 |
| Young Adult (Ages 12-17 Outreach) | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 |
| Young Adult (Ages 12-17 STEM) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 84 | 90 | 93 | 86 | 77 | 86 | 93 | 74 | 683 |

Program Attendance

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | TOTAL |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| Adults 18+ | 28 | 368 | 369 | 386 | 250 | 378 | 121 | 391 | 2,291 |
| Adults 18+ (Outreach) | 151 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 197 |
| Adults (18+ STEM) | 0 | 52 | 51 | 20 | 12 | 27 | 7 | 0 | 169 |
| Children (Ages 0-5) | 160 | 209 | 284 | 288 | 346 | 441 | 249 | 462 | 2,439 |
| Children (Ages 0-5 Outreach) | 199 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 199 |
| Children (Ages 0-5 STEM) | 12 | 0 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 137 |
| Children (Ages 5-11) | 100 | 113 | 58 | 51 | 73 | 160 | 199 | 49 | 803 |
| Children (Ages 5-11 Outreach) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Children (Ages 5-11 STEM) | 30 | 3 | 64 | 25 | 59 | 18 | 155 | 78 | 432 |
| Young Adult (Ages 12-17) | 76 | 76 | 77 | 71 | 203 | 62 | 175 | 212 | 952 |
| Young Adult (Ages 12-17 Outreach) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Young Adult (Ages 12-17 STEM) | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| TOTAL | 756 | 867 | 1,005 | 841 | 943 | 1,086 | 941 | 1,192 | 7,631 |

Programs Offered

| | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| January | 125 | 126 | 178 | 221 | 84 |
| February | 108 | 136 | 183 | 212 | 90 |
| March | 120 | 131 | 86 | 153 | 93 |
| April | 140 | 169 | 64 | 101 | 82 |
| May | 122 | 157 | 99 | 140 | 69 |
| June | 121 | 136 | 135 | 165 | 76 |
| July | 145 | 72 | 162 | 241 | 80 |
| August | 122 | 165 | 130 | 122 | 74 |
| TOTAL | 1,003 | 1,092 | 1,037 | 1,355 | 648 |



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| | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| January | 1,654 | 2,084 | 3,474 | 2,997 | 756 |
| February | 1,308 | 1,973 | 3,822 | 2,966 | 867 |
| March | 1,539 | 2,020 | 1,156 | 2,107 | 1,005 |
| April | 2,126 | 2,197 | 1,418 | 1,915 | 841 |
| May | 2,882 | 2,420 | 2,282 | 2,363 | 943 |
| June | 2,643 | 4,033 | 1,928 | 2,254 | 1,086 |
| July | 2,655 | 2,554 | 2,144 | 2,966 | 941 |
| August | 2,324 | 3,230 | 1,925 | 2,324 | 1,192 |
| TOTAL | 17,131 | 20,511 | 18,149 | 19,892 | 7,631 |

Children’s Notes (Submitted by Stephanie Bragg)

Summer is over and fall is in full swing! The popular Framed art program is back. Framed takes place over 8 weeks with 3 sessions a week for different age groups. Storytime has returned to being held inside the Tyler Hedges room with an average of 22 participants 2 times a week. We are still having an outside story time as well. The last Monday in September we are having a day of service for teens that may need community service hours or families that want to help out since students will be out of school for the day. So far this month we have had 289 program attendants and are making plans for the fall.

Teen Notes (Submitted by Laurie Doan)

Teens in August completed their second week of Performance Arts Summer Camp. This is our 9th annual camp. Our vision, which we stated when we created the camp, “is a performance arts camp where locally educated students foster and deepen the next generation’s knowledge and enjoyment of the performance arts.”

We also created crafts on the terrace and watched Anime inside.

Our book club discussed our summer reading assignments and mapped out some fall plans for reading. Next up is a mystery book, “Jackaby” by William Ritter.

Our “Remixed Classics Scriptwriter’s Handbook” is being distributed to students and teachers. Chapter One outlines some of the reasons for choosing to remix a classic story, “There are a number of reasons to choose to remix a classic story including: your love for the original, the big ideas of the original, and the things that weren’t said in the original. The original might be attractive for its setting, the plot, or the characters. You may choose remix because as you finished a book, film, or an audio book, you felt there was unexplored territory left on the map. You may remix a piece because it’s been remixed before and you believe there is even more remix potential, you love the story that much.”

Respectfully submitted by Christopher Kibler