### Youth Services M.A.C.H. Room

Our state-of-the-art Makerspace, the M.A.C.H. Room (Makers, Artists, Crafters, Hackers), offers students and teachers the opportunity to experience and experiment with the latest in 3D printing, CAD design, robotics and many other STEM topics.

### **On-Line Resources**

In addition to traditional materials, the library subscribes to a host of cutting edge electronic resources. Teachers can alert students to the availability of these resources to support student learning. All can be accessed at www.fergusonlibrary.org.To access these sites and links from home teachers and students need a Ferguson Library card.

### **Electronic Databases**

From general encyclopedias such as *World Book* to specialized ones like *Access Science*, the library subscribes to a wide variety of online databases to support student research. Access these resources on our website's kids page under Online Resources.

### Tutor.com—Online Homework Help

Live homework help for students in grades K–12 in math, science, social studies, or English. Connect to Online Tutor for one-to-one help daily from 3–10 p.m. Spanish speaking tutors are available as well.

### **Internet Access in Youth Areas**

There are dedicated computer terminals in the children's area which provide filtered access to the Internet. These terminals are for the use of minors and may be used without formal parental permission. For more information, The Library's Internet Use Policy can be accessed under About/Policies section of our website, www.fergusonlibrary.org.

# THE FERGUSON LIBRARY STAMFORD'S PUBLIC LIBRARY

203 964-1000

email: comments@fergusonlibrary.org

### Main Library, DiMattia Building

One Public Library Plaza Monday – Thursday: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

> Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

### **Harry Bennett Branch**

115 Vine Road

Monday & Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursday: 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **South End Branch**

34 Woodland Avenue

Tuesday & Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Thursday: 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch

Monday: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **Bookmobile**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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# The Ferguson Library

Stamford's Public Library

Services for Educators @ the Ferguson Library

The Ferguson Library One Public Library Plaza Stamford, CT 06904

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# Do YOU know about the Ferguson Library's wide range of information, materials and services JUST for educators?



For further information on these services contact the Youth Services Department at 203 351-8242.

# **Teacher Cards**

Ferguson Library Teacher Cards are issued on an annual basis to anyone who teaches in a K–12 school or licensed early childhood program.

Teacher cards provide special privileges such as extended loan periods.

### **Teacher Units**

To support your curriculum needs and to make the library's materials easily available to you, librarians in Ferguson's Youth Department will pull together a customized package of materials on a specific subject. Requests can be made in person at the Main Library, or over the phone.

# **Learning Kits To Go**

Learning Kits To Go bring together resources and materials on favorite topics in one handy packet. We have over 40 kits. Large kits include a selection of books, puppets, audio visual materials, supplemental activities and items for teacher support—all suitable for children in preschool through grade 3. Easy-to-carry Mini Kits contain a smaller assortment of items.

# Visits to the Library on the Purple Bus

The Purple Bus is available to bring Stamford elementary school students to the Ferguson Library on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings during the school year. We offer a wide range of programs including tours, storytimes, booktalking, reference lessons, computer training and more. Arrangements can be made to accommodate middle and high school students upon request.

# **Outreach Programs**

The Ferguson's librarians offer parent and teacher workshops on topics such as book selection, the importance of family reading, techniques for booktalking or storytelling, introductions to our online resources including the homework help site, Tutor.com.

# **Assignment Alert**

The Ferguson Library is eager to make its resources accessible to teachers and their students. An "Assignment Alert" form can be sent to us by mail, fax, phone or in person. This advance notice allows the youth librarians to set aside relevant subject materials, giving students better access to public library resources. You can complete this form on the "Services for Educators" page on our website.

## **Good Reads**

The youth librarians at the Ferguson Library have put together recommended reading for all ages and interests. Take a look at our website to access our genre lists, graded lists, book discussion questions and much more. Ask us about borrowing multiple copies of discussable books for your book groups

## **Materials for Educators**

Take the time to explore some of our resources:

- Books for professionals (including some curriculum materials)
- Special Needs Center materials for parents and professionals
- Music CDs
- ✓ Audio books and Book/CD sets
- ✓ World language collection
- ✓ DVDs
- Magazines for children, teens, parents and teachers

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