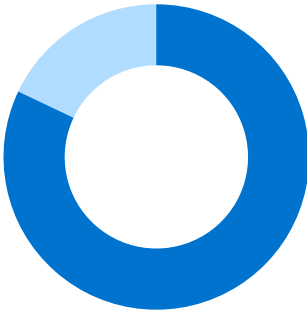

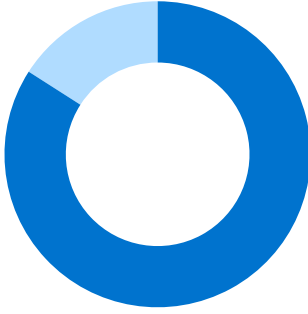








## Monthly Report July 2022

Fiscal Year Oct. 2021 - Sept. 2022

Location	Print Circulation	Visitors	Computer Sessions (including WiFi)	Programming
Hart Memorial	18,011	15,592	69,841	61 Events & Activities, 1,514 Participants
St. Cloud	25,413	10,527	20,758	85 Events & Activities, 1,963 Participants
Poinciana	11,005	8,710	33,910	57 Events & Activities, 852 Participants
Buenaventura Lakes	6,048	5,998	21,082	56 Events & Activities, 991 Participants
West Osceola	14,235	8,150	27,138	58 Events & Activities, 846 Participants
Kenansville	135	55	3,052	N/A

### System Stats at a Glance

<b>Total Circulation</b> <b>91,233</b>	<b>Circulation</b>  <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Print <b>74,847</b></div> <div style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Virtual <b>16,386</b></div>  </div>	<b>New Card Registration</b>  <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Cards <b>935</b></div> <div style="background-color: #007bff; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;">eCards <b>177</b></div>  </div>
<b>Holds Placed</b> <b>7,173</b>		<b>Phone Calls to Call Center</b>  <b>3,170</b>
<b>Study Room Uses</b> <b>785</b>	<b>Room Reservations</b> <b>186</b>	<b>Volunteering</b> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>Volunteers</b>  <b>54</b>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>Hours Donated</b>  <b>566</b> </div> </div>
<b>Notary Visits</b> <b>39</b> 	<b>Reference Questions</b>  <b>12,097</b>	<b>Storytimes</b> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>Storytimes Held</b>  <b>58</b> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <b>Attendees</b>  <b>1,201</b> </div> </div>

## Launch of new learning resources

With funds provided by the American Rescue Plan Act, the Library has developed two new collections of learning resources to “Slow the Slide” of learning losses brought on by the pandemic. Dozens of STEAM kits are now available to bring science and arts learning home in a fun and interactive way, such as exploring the impact of earthquakes or playing math games, paired with a topical book that families can read together. The Launchpad collection features tablets preloaded with games and learning challenges. Kids preschool to 8<sup>th</sup> grade are the focus for these new collections available at all branch libraries, in addition to the AWE Learning Workstations which debuted earlier this year. More STEAM kits will be added soon, featuring musical instruments like Ukuleles, and LEGO Educational kits that teach coding and complex problem-solving.

## International Festival comes to Poinciana

Culture abounded at the Poinciana Library as they celebrated arts, history, food and dance from around the world at their International Festival. Featured countries were Ireland, Puerto Rico, India, China, Spain, Germany and more! Tables for each country provided cultural and geographic highlights along with the opportunity to sample crafts and foods important to those countries. Dance performances took center stage in the open space as dancers in traditional costumes performed Irish dances, Hula, Samba and more. Over 80 people attended this afternoon event.

## County Commissioner teams up for Back Pack event

Sponsored by County Commissioner Cheryl Grieb, the annual back to school event is always a great way to reach kids just starting Kindergarten all the way up to high school. 400 backpacks provided by the Commissioner were distributed, along with Library information and school supplies. Attendees then had the chance to sample some of our new resources such as STEAM kits and Launchpads, in addition to fun STEAM games and activities, before checking out books to take home. Library staff created a Beanstack challenge to encourage use of the reading app and the winner of the challenge took home a \$50 gift card to a local pizza restaurant. The event was very successful with 719 people attending, 255 books checked out and 25 new patrons registered.

## Summer Learning wraps up

Another great summer of learning came to a close for both kids and adults. This year’s theme of camping really jumpstarted creativity and the after-hours adult wrap up at the St. Cloud Library brought all the best of summer together with 130 people enjoying crafts and playing board games. West Osceola hosted the youth wrap up especially for families.

## Canta y Encata dazzles

When a famous musical group from Colombia says they'll be in your area asking to stop by for a free performance, the answer is a definite yes when you find out it's Canta y Encata, a wonderful troupe of young performers who delighted BVL Library patrons last year in a surprise visit and dropped by the Library again this year. Special visitor Mirabel from Disney's Encanto also made a surprise visit as a compliment to this amazing morning along with a face painter. 169 people attended this special event.

## Other July happenings:

**BioDrops: Biomateriales Liquidos:** In a partnership with UCF, tweens at the BVL Library attended a week-long summer camp to learn about the science of phase separation.

**Rental Assistance Navigation Event:** This recurring partner event connects residents with much need information to improve access to housing and living expenses, this time at the Hart Memorial Library.

**NOAH Conference Outreach:** Youth Staff presented story times and activities at this national conference for the National Organization for Albinism and Hypopigmentation.

**Painting with Flowers:** Creativity was in full bloom at the Poinciana Library as 29 people learned how to use flowers as stencils.

**Paint Night:** Both St. Cloud and Poinciana Libraries hosted Paint Night enticing patrons to follow along as a gifted artist provides step by step instruction.

**Nature Walk: Lake Lizzie South Loop:** 21 people enjoyed an early morning hike through native wilderness to spy animals and plants important to the Florida ecosystem and history.

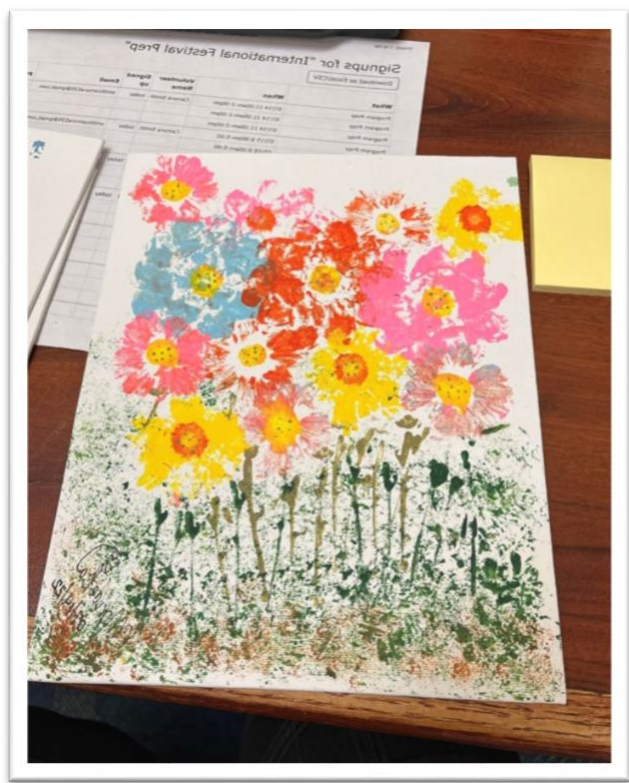
**Osceola Hob Nob:** Staff tabled at this event to educate and inform about Library services to Osceola and Orange political candidates.

**Vex IQ Robotics:** This multi-week series in TechCentral for teens over 12 teaches the basics of coding for these special robots.



**Left:**  
Canta y Encata made a surprise visit to the BVL Library.

**Below:**  
Painting with flowers produced unique artwork at the Poinciana Library.







**Above and Below:** The Poinciana Library's International Festival featured crafts, food, dance, customs and history of countries from around the world, including India and Ireland.





**Above:** Commissioner Grieb hands out 400 backpacks to students who then enjoyed games and activities with Library staff.

**Right:** Kids flex their coding skills to program Vex IQ robots inside TechCentral.

