Warren-Newport Public Library District

Gurnee, Illinois

Suggestions & Questions from Our Library Users

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Building-related comments

Why is the Work Shop so Small? The Grayslake Library is 3x's the size. Everytime I come to WNPL I'm turned away because it's over crowded. With all the renovations going on, Please expand the Work Shop!!!

Thank you for sharing this feedback. We know the Workshop is a popular space, and we understand how frustrating it is to be turned away when demand exceeds its capacity. While the size of the room is not changing as part of the current renovation, expanding the Workshop is identified as a goal in our long-range facilities plan. We can't put a timeline on it yet, as it will depend on future budget priorities, but it is something we genuinely hope to address down the road. In the meantime, our staff continue to look for ways to make access as smooth and useful as possible.

1st parking spot should be for pick up only. 10 min top.

Thank you for the suggestion. We will share this feedback with the appropriate staff as we continue to evaluate parking and pickup needs following the renovation.

Have a play ground.

We recently opened a new play space as part of the renovation. While we are not planning to add an outdoor playground at this time, we hope families enjoy this new area for play and exploration inside the library.

The adult area looks boring soo make it look like harry potter wallpaper. ❤️

Thank you for the creative suggestion. While we are not planning to add themed wallpaper at this time, we appreciate hearing ideas for making library spaces feel welcoming and engaging.

Collection-related comments

More Dinosaurs Books.

Thank you for the suggestion. Dinosaurs continue to be a popular topic, and we are always looking for opportunities to add high-interest materials to our collections.

Please, have the live action version of Lord of the Flies here! This book was taught to me by Mr. Eddie Maune of Warren Township High School. It inspired me to study literature. I watched on Netflix last month. 🙄

Thank you for such a thoughtful suggestion, and for sharing what this book has meant to you. It's wonderful to hear how Mr. Maune and Lord of the Flies set you on the path to studying literature. We'd be glad to look into adding a film adaptation to the collection. We'll check which versions are available to libraries and see what we can do. Thank you for being part of the WNPL community!

Please look into borrowing compass, a laminator & sewing machine for library of things.

Thank you for these suggestions. We are always interested in hearing what items patrons would like to borrow through the Library of Things and will keep these ideas in mind as we evaluate future additions.

Please dedicate more space for teen manga and manga. I would like for more manga to be added. Thank you. Please dedicate more space since you are renovating. 🙄

Thank you for the suggestion. Manga continues to be a very popular collection, and we are always looking for opportunities to add titles and make the collection easier to browse.

Can you make a paperback option in the catalog? I like only getting paperback to check-out.

Thank you for the suggestion. While the catalog may not always allow patrons to limit results by paperback format in the way described, staff are happy to help locate paperback copies when available.

The movie “Anna and the Apocalypse” is NOT a comedy movie. It is a horror musical where almost everyone dies. The creators did not want it listed as comedy.

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. After evaluating the movie, we decided to move it to the horror DVD collection.

Get more books fore kids and get a move theater and more DVDS fore kids.

Thank you for the suggestions. We are always adding children’s materials based on interest, use, and availability. While we are not planning to add a movie theater, we will continue to offer a variety of books, DVDs, and programs for children and families.

Service-related comments

Wonderful visit – appreciate the workspace, Wifi --- comfortable quiet clean. Helpful staff!

Thank you for the kind words. We are glad you had a comfortable and helpful visit!

I want you to know that Michelle in the computer room was very helpful when I came in the computer and books. I appreciate anyone who is good at finding information on the computer and where the books are.

Thank you for sharing this compliment. We will pass along your appreciation to Michelle and are glad she was able to help.

Great Service

Thank you! We appreciate the positive feedback.

Could you make manga a searchable format in the catalog to search for manga books easier?

Thank you for the suggestion. We understand that manga can be easier to find when it is clearly searchable or browseable, and we will share this feedback with staff who work with cataloging and collection access.

Computer-related comments

Well you guys have pc's so why can't we play roblox on them.

Roblox will not be added to the public computers at this time. However, we know it is popular with many patrons and plan to offer Roblox-themed programs in the future.

Thank you for taking the time to help us improve our service to you.

If suggested a title for purchase, we have passed it along to staff members who order materials.

Ryan Livergood, Executive Director

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